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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of July, 2021 in respect of Ministry of Women and Child Development.**

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the unclassified portion of the monthly summary in English pertaining to the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month of July, 2021.



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To

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**Monthly Summary Report for the month of July, 2021 in respect of Ministry of  
Women & Child Development**

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The significant events relating to the work of Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month ending July, 2021 are as follows:

**1. Legislative Agenda**

(i) The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2021 which was passed by Lok Sabha during the Budget Session has been passed by Rajya Sabha on 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

(ii) The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Amendment Bill, 2012, was withdrawn by Hon'ble Minister of Women and Child Development.

**2. PM CARES Fund to children in distress due to COVID-19**

A Portal for PM CARES for Children, i.e., pmcaresforchildren.in has been launched on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021. A web meeting with States/UTs was also chaired by Secretary, WCD on the same day to introduce the Portal for PM CARES for children scheme. A web meeting was earlier held on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 and to discuss facilities being provided by concerned Ministries in respect of PM CARES for Children. The guidelines for the scheme are being finalized and States/ UTs are populating the portal with data of Children orphaned due to COVID-19.

**3. Measures to ensure safety and well-being of Women & Children in view of spread of COVID-19:**

Daily/ Weekly review of COVID-19 situation is being undertaken in MWCD institutions like One Stop Centres (OSCs), Swadhar Homes, Working Women Hostels (WWHs), Child Care Institutions (CCIs) etc. States / UTs are submitting Daily/ Weekly Report regarding welfare and protection of women and children residing in these institutions. Hon'ble Minister, MWCD reviews the situation on a weekly basis.

**4. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY):**

During the month of July, 2021 about 4.26 lakh beneficiaries were enrolled. About 10.90 lakh applications were entered on Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana

Yojana-Common Application Software (PMMVY-CAS) portal. About Rs. 116.78 crore of maternity benefits was disbursed.

As on 01.08.2021, about 2.33 crore beneficiaries were enrolled; about 2.03 crore beneficiaries were paid maternity benefits; about 6.18 crore applications were entered on PMMVY-CAS; about 5.41 crore applications were paid and about Rs. 8840.07 crore of maternity benefits were disbursed under the scheme.

#### **5. One Stop Centres and Women Helpline**

704 One Stop Centres (OSCs) reported to be operational in 35 States/UTs have been functioning during Covid lockdown period to provide medical support, psycho- social counseling, police facilitation, legal counseling/ help, temporary shelter to women affected by violence, including domestic violence. Further, Women Help Lines are functional in 34 States and UTs for providing emergency and non- emergency telephonic support to women facing violence or difficult situations during the lock down period.

#### **6. Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Forum on Women's Education and Poverty Reduction**

The Ministry of Women & Child Development participated (in virtual mode) in the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Forum on Women's Education and Poverty Reduction held on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

#### **7. Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Working Group on Women's Economic Empowerment**

The Ministry of Women & Child Development participated (in virtual mode) in the meeting of Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Working Group on Women's Economic Empowerment (WGWEE) held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 to discuss the IORA Action Plan 2017-21.

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