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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of December, 2019  
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 December, 2019.



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## **Monthly Summary Report for the month of December, 2019 in respect of Ministry of Women and Child Development**

The significant events relating to the work of Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month ending December, 2019 are as follows:

### **1. Launch of 'Bharatiya POSHAN Anthem'**

Hon'ble Vice President Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu launched the '**Bharatiya POSHAN Anthem**' on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2019 in New Delhi. The Anthem aims to inspire people to join the movement to fight the scourge of malnutrition. It has been written by Sh. Prasoon Joshi and composed and sung by Sh. Shankar Mahadevan.

### **2. Nari Shakti Puraskar, 2019**

MWCD has initiated action for inviting applications for '**Nari Shakti Puraskar**', 2019 on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2019. The awards will be conferred by the Hon'ble President of India on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 on the occasion of International Women's Day.

### **3. Meetings of Hon'ble Minister, WCD**

**3.1** A delegation of Hon'ble Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sweden met the Hon'ble Minister of Women & Child Development on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2019 to discuss avenues of cooperation between India & Sweden in areas of Women and Child Development.

**3.2** Hon'ble Minister of Women & Child Development and Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare co-chaired a joint Meeting of the officers of two Ministries on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2019. The recent report on Global Hunger Index (GHI), strategies to improve India's ranking in GHI and the issue of convergence between the two Ministries to improve nutritional indicators were discussed in the meeting.

**3.3** A meeting of the National Selection Committee under the chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister, WCD was held on 20.12.2019 with participation from representatives of Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development; Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs; Ministry of Culture; Ministry of Science and Technology; Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Home Affairs for selection of candidates for **Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar, 2020**.

**3.4** A Joint meeting regarding Women in Science & Technology with Senior Officers from Ministry of Science & Technology and Ministry of Women & Child Development was held under the co-chairpersonship of Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Hon'ble Minister of Science & Technology and Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Minister of Women & Child Development and Textiles on 26.12.2019 at Anusandhan Bhawan, New Delhi. Both Ministers agreed that the Ministries need to work towards convergence for greater participation and inclusion of Women in STEM fields.

#### **4. Other Meetings / Conferences/ Consultations and Activities:**

**4.1** The Ministry participated in the **pre-budget consultations** with stakeholders to solicit ideas and suggestions for the Union Budget 2020-21 in the area of "Social Sector: Health, Education and Rural Development" organized under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Finance Minister on 23.12.2019 in North Block, New Delhi.

**4.2** The Ministry participated and presented oral evidence before the Department related **Parliamentary Standing Committee on External Affairs** on 02.12.2019 regarding "The Registration of Marriage of Non-Resident Indian Bill, 2019"

**4.3** The Ministry participated and presented oral evidence before the Department related **Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development** on 19.12.2019 regarding and "Issues related to Safety of Women".

**4.4** Secretary, WCD visited Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh on 11.12.2019 to **review the progress of major schemes** of the Ministry, namely, POSHAN Abhiyaan, Anganwadi Services, PMMVY, BBBP, CPS, & OSC etc. with the State Government officers of Department of Women & Child Development and Chief Secretary, Madhya Pradesh.

**4.5** First meeting of the Committee to look into re-organizing the functionality of CHILDLINE (24x7 helpline for children) was held under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister of State, WCD on 03.12.2019 at India International Centre, New Delhi.

**4.6** A meeting of Empowered Committee under Nirbhaya Fund was held on 19.12.2019 in the Ministry.

**4.7** The Ministry participated in the **National Consultation on the Effective Implementation of the Juvenile Justice Act** organised by the Juvenile Justice Committee of the Hon'ble Supreme Court at New Delhi on 14.12.2019.

## 5. HAUSLA, 2019

The Ministry conducted **HAUSLA, 2019** - a festival for the children of Child Care Institutions (CCIs) to inspire and mainstream them and provide them with a national platform to showcase their talents. The three-day event was organized at National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD) from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2019 in New Delhi. Around 800 children from different CCIs across the country participated in various events like Abhivyakti, Debate, Painting, Life Skill workshops, etc.

The 'Sports Meet' organized under Hausla, 2019 saw a participation of over 1000 children from CCIs including children from Delhi schools. The Meet was flagged off with a ceremonial March Past. The Sports Meet saw participation of children in various athletic events like 100 meter race, 200 meter race, 400 meter Relay, High Jump and Long Jump, and Football.

## 6. One Stop Centers and Women Helpline

As on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019, 623 **One Stop Centres** are functional in 35 States/UTs and **Women Helpline** is functional in 32 States/UTs.

## 7. Minimum Government, Maximum Governance:

**7.1** Video Conferences are being held on regular basis for inter-action and dialogues with States/UTs for effective implementation of various schemes.

**7.2** Full-fledged e-Office implementation by Ministry has resulted in savings to Government exchequer. Also, substantial number of Inter - Ministerial communications are made through e-mail.

**7.3** All Policies/ Programmes/ Schemes/ Acts/ Sanction orders etc. are loaded on public domain for easy access by stakeholders.

## 8. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of Public Grievances disposed off during the month	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of the month (31.12.2019)
596	158

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