



There are 1626 Institutional Homes supported under ICPS for care and protection of children

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The Ministry is implementing the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) under which financial assistance is provided to State Governments /UT Administrations for setting up and managing Child Care Institutions (CCIs) by themselves or in association with Voluntary Organisations/Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs). The details of Govt. and NGO run Child Care Institutions (CCIs) supported under ICPS are given below:

Category	Institutional Care [Homes]	Open Shelters	Specialised Adoption Agencies
Total	1626	306	351

The primary responsibility of maintaining the CCIs vests with the States/UT Administration. The Ministry has been requesting the State Governments/UT Administrations from time to time to identify and register all Child Care Institutions under the provisions of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, (JJ Act) so as to ensure that minimum standards of care can be maintained. Under Section 41 of the JJ Act, 2015 registration of CCIs has been made mandatory with penalty in case of non-compliance. Under Section 54, of the JJ Act, 2015 the State Governments are required to appoint inspection Committees for the State and district for mandatory inspection of all facilities housing children, at least once in three months.

This information was given by Minister of State for Women & Child Development, Smt Krishna Raj in reply to a question in Rajya Sabha today.

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