GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4606 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2025

SWADHAR GREH SCHEME

4606. SHRI S JAGATHRATCHAKAN:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has reviewed the implementation of the Swadhar Greh Scheme in Tamil Nadu for rehabilitation of vulnerable women;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated/utilized under the Swadhar Greh Scheme in the said State during the fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25;
- (c) the number of Swadhar Greh Centres currently functional in Tamil Nadu along with the women supported through these centres; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to increase the number and capacity of such centres in Tamil Nadu in the upcoming fiscal year, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) to (d): Under the overarching 'Mission Shakti', erstwhile schemes of 'Swadhar Greh' – Home for women in difficult circumstances and 'Ujjawala'- Home for women rescued from Trafficking, have been merged and are now known as 'Shakti Sadan Scheme', which is an Integrated Relief and Rehabilitation Home for women in distressful situations including trafficked women. It aims at creating a safe and enabling environment for the women in such difficult situations, to enable them to overcome the adverse circumstances.

The Shakti Sadan Scheme is a demand driven Centrally Sponsored Scheme, under which funds are released to the States/UTs for implementation of the scheme. The States/UTs assess their requirement as per local needs and proposals are approved every year by the Programme Approval Board (PAB) after discussion with States/UTs. Under the Scheme, financial assistance is provided for running of Shakti Sadan in rented premises.

The details of funds released to the State Government of Tamil Nadu for the implementation of Shakti Sadan Scheme during the financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25 are as under:

Financial Year	Funds released (Amount Rupees in crore)
2023-24	15.17
2024-25	10.54
(upto 26.03.2025)	

Presently, 40 Shakti Sadans are functional in the State of Tamil Nadu benefiting about 1706 women.
