

WOMEN WELFARE SCHEMES

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Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme

- The programme was recast by the Government of India in 2006
- To provide day-care facilities for children (6 months to 6 years) of working mothers in the community.
- To improve nutrition and health status of children.
- To promote physical, cognitive, social and emotional development of children.
- To educate and empower parents /caregivers for better childcare.

SWADHAR SCHEME:

- The Ministry of Women and Child Development had been administering Swadhar scheme since 2001 for Women in difficult circumstances.
- Under the Scheme, temporary accommodation, maintenance and rehabilitative services are provided to women and girls rendered homeless due to family discord, crime, violence, mental stress, social ostracism. Another scheme with similar objectives/target groups namely Short Stay Home (SSH) is being implemented by Central Social Welfare Board.



- This scheme provides integrated services to women without support from their families such as widows living at Vrindavan and Kashi; prisoners released from jail; survivors of natural calamities; women/girls rescued from brothels and other places; victims of sexual crimes, etc.
- The scheme includes such services as food, clothing, shelters, health care, counselling and legal aid and rehabilitation through education awareness, skill formation and behavioural training.

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana

- Aim: To provide clean fuel to women who are below poverty line who generally use unclean cooking fuels that does more harm than good and replace the same with LPG.

Launched: In March 2016

Objective:

Protecting the health of women and empowering them

- Curbing health issues that result from using fossil fuels and other fuels for cooking
- Reducing casualties that occur as a result of unclean fuels used for cooking
- Controlling respiratory issues that occur due to indoor pollution as a result of using fossil fuel that does not burn cleanly.

Stree sakti yojana

- Stree Shakti is a women empowerment program launched by the Government of Karnataka in 2000–01 to strengthen their access to financial services and make them self reliant. The program draws its inspiration from principles of the [Self-help groups \(SHG\)](#) wherein skill development and access to financial services are provided through micro-credit and savings product.

Objectives of Stree Shakti :-

- To strengthen the process of economic development of rural women and create a conducive environment for social change.
- To form a self-help group based on thrift and credit principles which builds self-reliance and enable women to have greater access and control over resources
- To increase the income levels of rural women by engaging them in; Income generating activities and creating financial stability
- To provide opportunities to the members of the groups to avail the benefits of other departmental schemes by converging the services of various departments and lending institutions to ensure; women's access to; credit financing.

Working women hostel scheme

- The scheme was introduced in 1972-1973
- A scheme to provide safe and affordable accommodation to working women (As amended June, 2015)

OBJECTIVES:-

- Promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women.
- Day care facility for their children.
- Construction of new hostel buildings.
- Expansion of existing hostel buildings.
- Working women, who may be single, widowed, divorced, separated, married but whose husband or immediate family does not reside in the same city/area.

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) was launched on 22nd January 2015 by the Prime Minister of India at Panipat in Haryana. Beti Bachao Beti Padhao was unleashed with an objective of addressing the declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and other issues related to the women empowerment:

- To help remove gender based discrimination and elimination
- To protect the girl child
- To provide the girl child with education and enabling her participation