

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 954
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022

RASHTRIYA MAHILA KOSH

954: SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries who have got benefitted from the credit schemes under Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) in the last five years, year-wise details thereof;
- (b) the State-wise fund allocation and utilisation in the last five years, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to ensure that women are aware of this scheme and are also availing of the same, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) Number of beneficiaries who have benefited from the credit schemes under Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) in the last five years, year-wise details are given in **Annexure I**.
- (b) Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) does not allocate funds to the States.
- (c) RMK was set up under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 as an autonomous body under the Ministry of Women and Child Development for socio-economic empowerment of women especially in rural and unorganized sector by providing them concessional, collateral free micro credits. Over the period of time, substantial alternative credit facility mechanisms have become available to women through various Government initiatives like National Rural/Urban Livelihood Missions. In line with the recommendations of the Expert Management Commission set up by the Ministry of Finance and the report on Rationalization of Government Bodies authored by the Principal Economic Adviser, Department of Economic Affairs, Government has decided to close down RMK in terms of synergy of activities and removal of duplication of similar schemes currently being implemented by other Ministries/departments in Government of India.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.954 for reply on 14.12.2022 regarding Rashtriya Mahila Kosh.

S. No.	Year	Number of beneficiaries
1.	2017-18	2790
2.	2018-19	2324
3.	2019-20	810
4.	2020-21	0
5.	2021-22	0
	Total	5924