

#Important for Female Candidates



Important Topic

64th BPSC Interview and 65th & 66th BPSC Main Examination-2020-21

TOPIC:

“Schemes for Women Empowerment in BIHAR”

● Mukhyamantri Kanya Suraksha Yojana(MKSY)

Objective : The program aims to ensure the rightful place for a girl child in society, her safety and security.

1. To improve the sex ratio
2. To encourage birth registration and
3. To stop female feticide



Under the Mukhya Mantri Kanya Suraksha Yojana, Govt. of Bihar contributes Rs.2000/- for every Girl Child belonging to the BPL(Below Poverty Line) category and born on or after November 22, 2007. The benefit of the Yojana is limited to TWO girls per family falling below the poverty line. The amount of Rs.2000/- has been invested by Women Development Corporation, Patna, Bihar on behalf of Government of Bihar in Fixed Deposits in UCO & IDBI Banks. On completion of 18 years, the amount equal to the

maturity value will be paid to the girl child. In case of death of girl child during the intervening period, the amount will be paid back to Women Development Corporation, Bihar. During the last three years, Mukhyamantri Kanya Suraksha Yojana of Government of Bihar has benefitted around 15 lakh girl children born in BPL families.

● **Mukhyamantri Nari Shakti Yojana(MNSY)**



The programme was launched in 2007-08 throughout the Bihar with an objective to empower women and make them self reliant. The programme envisages holistic empowerment of women in the economic, social and cultural spheres. This commences a long journey to improve women's economic and

social status. It also underlines several activities aimed to address issues that have been looked upon as constraints impeding women's quest for greater economic and social empowerment. For Example- Limited institutional capacity of stakeholders to address and include needs of women, Target oriented approach, Lack of skills and resources, Inadequate access to protective and support services.

Objective:

1. Creating sustainable self owned & managed women based institutions through capacity building & microfinance inputs.
2. It not only provides an institutional support to women in need & distress but also undertakes a policy advocacy on women specific issues.
3. Facilitating need based sustainable livelihood efforts.
4. It envisions creating a holistic and gendering friendly environment which would ensure an unconditional progress of women.
5. To remove social and cultural impediments to improve women economic and social status in the society and the state.

● **One Stop Center(OSC) or SAKHI**

Objective:

1. To provide integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence under one roof.
2. To facilitate immediate, emergency and non-emergency access to a range of services including medical, legal, psychological and counseling support to the victims of violence against women under one roof.

One Stop Center or OSC is to be established to provide a range of services under one roof to women affected by violence. It is popularly known by the name of SAKHI. These services include Medical Assistance, Transportation and Facilitation in dealing with Police, Legal Aid,



Psychosocial Counseling and Temporary Shelter, if needed. As per the guidelines of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt. of India location for establishing OSC was to be identified. The location for establishing OSC is supposed to be within a hospital/ medical facility campus or within 2 km radius of a hospital. The area required for establishing OSC is about 132 sqmt carpet area in a existing government building or 300 sq mt of land within a hospital/ medical facility or within 2 km radius of a hospital.

Services to be provided- Emergency Response and Rescue Services, Medical Assistance, Psychosocial Support, Police Assistance, Shelter, Legal Aid.

Currently One Stop Center programme is running in all 38 districts of Bihar. These districts are-

Araria	Arwal	Aurangabad	Banka	Begusarai
Bhagalpur	Bhojpur	Buxar	Darbhanga	East Champaran
Gaya	Gopalganj	Jamui	Jehanabad	Kaimur
Katihar	Khagaria	Kishanganj	Lakhisarai	Madhepura
Madhubani	Munger	Muzffarpur	Nalanda	Nawada
Patna	Purnia	Rohtas	Saharsa	Samastipur
Saran	Sekhpura	Seohar	Sitamarhi	Siwan
Supaul	Vaishali	West Champaran		

Note- Justice (Retd.) Usha Mehra Commission, set up to suggest measures to improve Women's safety had recommended in its report submitted on 22.02.2013, that there is need for establishment of a "One-Stop Centre" at a notified hospital to help victims of sexual assault and ensure speedy punishment to culprits.

● Poorna Shakti Kendre (PSK)



The Poorna Shakti Kendra (PSK) project is being implemented in a pilot mode in selected districts Under the Scheme National Mission for Empowerment of Women. The project entails setting up of convergence centres at the district, block and Gram Panchayat (GP) level. Each Kendra at Gram Panchayat level has two Mahila Gram Samanvyaks (Women Village Coordinators) who act as motivators for the women in the area and are also responsible for providing support/awareness on various issues related

to empowerment of women. A monthly honorarium of Rs 4000 has been provided for each Village Coordinator at the Gram Panchayat level. The convergence centres are meant to facilitate greater access for women to government schemes/programs, create awareness on gender issues and facilitate/handholding of women in need/affected by violence.

Poorna Shakti Kendra Model is a pilot to implement National Mission For Empowerment of Women in the states. It works as a focal point of actions through which the services

to women at grass root level would be facilitated. These centres are providing a platform for women to address their issues as well as to act as an interface for women to approach the government for availing their entitlements. This Poorna Shakti Kendra will provide information on all the government programmes/schemes/services for women, maintaining database of target population, create awareness generation on legal rights and entitlements. PSK has become functional in the Aurangabad district (December 2015) and it is under process of establishment in Nalanda and Begusarai and other districts of Bihar.

● **BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO(BBBP)**

Objective: The main objectives of Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Yojana are:

1. To prevent gender-biased sex selective elimination.
2. To ensure the protection and survival of the girl child.
3. Ensuring education and participation of the girl child.

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) was launched by the Prime Minister of India Sri Narendra Modi on 22nd January, 2015 at Panipat, Haryana. BBBP addresses the declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and related issues of women empowerment over a life-cycle continuum. It is a tri-ministerial effort of Ministries of Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare and Human Resource Development. The scheme started with Rs.100 crore initial corpus funds and is likely to move ahead with its well thought-out plan and direction.

Women Development Corporation is the nodal agency for implementation of this scheme in Bihar. Vaishali is the only district of our state to be selected among the 100 gender critical districts selected under this scheme. A district level workshop was organised in Vaishali on 23-Dec-2015 .

Strategies of BBBP-

- To promote education and create equal value for the girl child through proper implementation of a sustained social mobilization and communication campaign.
- To focus and improve the issues of declination in CSR/SRB in public discourse which would be an indicator for good governance.
- To focus on gender critical districts and cities low on CSR for intensive & integrated action and engaging with communities to challenge gender stereotypes and social norms.
- Adopting innovative interventions by the districts as per their local needs, context and sensibilities.
- To ensure the services of various schemes & programmes that are sufficiently responsive to the issues of gender and children's rights.



To be continue...