



National Creche Scheme

The National Crèche Scheme is being implemented by the **Ministry of Women and Child Development**.

- It is a **centrally sponsored scheme** being implemented with effect from 1st January, 2017.
- It aims at providing a safe place for mothers to leave their children while they are at work, and thus, is a measure for **empowering women** as it enables them to take up employment.
- It is also an intervention towards **protection and development of children** in the **age group of 6 months to 6 years**.
- The scheme provides for **day care facilities** to the children of working mothers.
- It also provides supplementary nutrition, health care inputs like immunization, polio drops, basic health monitoring, sleeping facilities, early stimulation (for children below 3 years), pre-school education for children aged between 3-6 yrs.

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