

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 728
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th FEBRUARY 2022**

“CHILD MORTALITY RATE IN THE COUNTRY”

728: DR. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the **MINISTER of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of children died since 2016, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the districts in India that have the highest child mortality rate and the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons for such high rates; and
- (d) the districts in India that have the least child mortality rate and the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE**

(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)

(a) to (d):

As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) Report of Registrar General of India (RGI), the Under 5 Mortality Rate (U5MR) has reduced from 39 per 1000 live births in 2016 to 36 per 1,000 live births in 2018 at National Level. The details of Under 5 Mortality Rate (U5MR) for the period of 2016-18 is placed at Annexure I.

The major causes of child mortality in India are Prematurity & low birth weight, Pneumonia, Diarrheal diseases, Birth asphyxia & birth trauma, Injuries, Congenital anomalies, Acute bacterial sepsis and severe infections, Fever of unknown origin and other non-communicable diseases.

Sample Registration System (SRS) of Registrar General of India does not provide district level child mortality data.

Status of Under 5 Mortality Rate			
States	2016	2017	2018
India	39	37	36
Andhra Pradesh	37	35	33
Assam	52	48	47
Bihar	43	41	37
Chhattisgarh	49	47	45
Delhi	22	21	19
Gujarat	33	33	31
Haryana	37	35	36
Himachal Pradesh	27	25	23
Jammu & Kashmir	26	24	23
Jharkhand	33	34	34
Karnataka	29	28	28
Kerala	11	12	10
Madhya Pradesh	55	55	56
Maharashtra	21	21	22
Orissa	50	47	44
Punjab	24	24	23
Rajasthan	45	43	40
Tamil Nadu	19	19	17
Telangana	34	32	30
Uttar Pradesh	47	46	47
Uttarakhand	41	35	33
West Bengal	27	26	26
Source: Sample Registration System of Registrar General of India			