

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2071
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2023

DIVERSION OF FUNDS UNDER BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO SCHEME

2071. SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of funds utilized under each vertical in Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme during last five years;
- (b) whether Government is aware that there has been an unequal distribution and diversification of funds under the scheme as observed by the Standing Committee on Empowerment of Women (2021);
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to redistribute the allocation of funds and ensure efficient utilization of funds?

ANSWER

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

- (a) BBBP scheme was launched on 22nd January, 2015 as a tri-ministerial effort of the Ministry of Women & Child Development, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to prevent Gender based sex selection, to ensure survival and protection of girl child and also to ensure education of the girl child. BBBP had two components namely Advocacy and Media Campaign and Multi sectoral interventions. Details of funds utilized under each vertical in BetiBachaoBetiPadhao scheme during last five years is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Total Expenditure by Ministry	Expenditure	
			At Ministry level for media/advocacy	Funds released for Multi Sectoral Intervention
1	2018-19	244.73	164.04	80.69
2	2019-20	85.78	25.75	60.03
3	2020-21	60.57	7.02	53.55
4	2021-22	57.13	0	57.13
5	2022-23	90.36	0.21	90.15

(b) to (d) The BBBP scheme has been revamped in the 15th Finance commission Period i.e. 2021-22 to 2025-26. BBBP is now a component of Sambal Sub scheme of Mission Shakti. BBBP has been expanded to cover all the districts of the country through multi-sectoral interventions focused on zero-budget advertising and encouraging greater spend on activities that have on ground impact.

Now, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and Ministry of Minority Affairs have also been added as partners with a view to undertake a special drive and awareness programme for promoting skilling among girls.

Keeping in mind the differential SRB status of districts as on 2020-21 (as per HMIS data of MoH&FW), three brackets for release of funds under BBBP component have been prescribed. The districts with SRB less than or equal to 918 are provided assistance of Rs.40 Lakh per year, districts having SRB from 919 to 952 are provided assistance of Rs. 30 lakh per year and districts having SRB more than 952 are given assistance of Rs. 20 lakh per year.

Appropriate provisions regarding distribution and diversification of funds were already incorporated in Mission Shakti draft proposal, meanwhile Parliamentary Standing Committee made similar recommendations.

Operational manual has been developed which serves as a practical guide for planned sectoral interventions. The manual also has a detailed and well rounded suggestive activity calendar ensuring efficient utilization of funds for year round activities.

The reports of Health Management Information System (HMIS) of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare reveals that Sex Ratio at Birth is showing improving trends and has increased from 918 to 933 at national level during 2014-15 to 2022-23 with a net change of 15 points.
