

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3677
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025

SAKSHAM ANGANWADI AND POSHAN 2.0 SCHEME

3677. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the primary objectives of the 'Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0' scheme and its State-wise implementation status as of March 2025 with the details thereof;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries reached out under the Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 initiative till date, with the State-wise details thereof; and
- (c) the funds allocated and utilized for Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 in Haryana till date, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) to (c) Under the 15th Finance Commission to address the challenge of malnutrition, various components like Anganwadi services, Poshan Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent girls have been subsumed under the umbrella Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0) into the three primary verticals as given below:

- Nutrition Support for POSHAN through Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) for children of the age group of 06 months to 6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers (PWLM); and for Adolescent Girls in the age group of 14 to 18 years in Aspirational Districts and North Eastern Region (NER);
- Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] and early childhood care & stimulation for (0-3 years);
- Anganwadi Infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadi;

The objectives of Mission Poshan 2.0 are as follows:

- To contribute to development of human capital of the country;
- Address challenges of malnutrition;

- Promote nutrition awareness and good eating habits for sustainable health and wellbeing; and
- Address nutrition related deficiencies through key strategies.

Various rounds of the National Family Health Survey (NFHS) conducted by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare since 1992-93 have shown improvement in malnutrition indicators in children across India. Details of these indicators for children since NFHS-1 to NFHS-5 are given below:

NFHS Survey	Stunting %	Underweight %	Wasting %
NFHS-1 (1992-93)*	52	53.4	17.5
NFHS-2 (1998-99)**	45.5	47	15.5
NFHS-3 (2005-6)***	48.0	42.5	19.8
NFHS-4 (2015-16)****	38.4	35.8	21.0
NFHS-5 (2019-21)****	35.5	32.1	19.3

* Under 4 years

** Under 3 years

*** Under 5 years

The above table gives a representative picture of malnutrition indicators among all children of 0-3 years, 0-4 years and 0-5 years age at the relevant time.

The projected population of all children up to 5 years in India for the year 2021 is 13.75 crores approximately (source: Population Projections for India and States 2011-2036, National Commission on Population, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare). However, only 7.49 crores children up to 5 years were enrolled in Anganwadis and registered on Poshan Tracker of the Ministry of Women & Child Development as per the February 2025 data. 7.25 crores of these children were measured on growth parameters of height and weight. 39.09% of them have been found to be stunted, 16.60% have been found to be underweight and 5.35% wasted.

Further, the projected population of all children in India up to 6 years for the year 2021 is approximately 16.1 crores. As per the February 2025 data of Poshan Tracker, 8.80 crores children (0-6 years) were enrolled in Anganwadis out of whom 8.52 crores were measured on growth parameters of height and weight. 37.75% of these children (0-6 years) have been found to be stunted and 17.19% children (0-6 years) have been found to be underweight.

The analysis of the above NFHS data and the Poshan Tracker data shows improvement in malnutrition indicators in children across India.

State and UT wise details of beneficiaries under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 as per Poshan Tacker data are placed at **Annexure I**.

The details of funds allocated and utilized under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 in Haryana are placed at **Annexure II**.

Annexure I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3677 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025 REGARDING “SAKSHAM ANGANWADI AND POSHAN 2.0 SCHEME”

State wise details of beneficiaries registered on Poshan Tracker as on 26th March 2025 are as follows:

State/UT	Total Beneficiaries	Lactating Mothers	Pregnant Women	Children 0-6M	Children 6M-3Y	Children 3-6Y	Adolescent Girls
Andhra Pradesh	3066079	178907	218294	164719	1307082	1151213	45864
Arunachal Pradesh	104699	2104	1984	2395	31417	51248	15551
Assam	3424068	126557	128774	130549	1029509	1596757	411922
Bihar	10842934	474628	549691	333560	3858281	5380821	245953
Chhattisgarh	2632275	138564	157699	130530	989098	1112481	103903
Goa	57863	4215	3296	3986	31638	14728	0
Gujarat	3530655	192334	210157	183454	1376935	1506706	61069
Haryana	1987187	110729	125144	92232	695393	950811	12878
Himachal Pradesh	557351	33782	32438	33465	203583	237775	16308
Jharkhand	3327648	128498	164967	115006	1204176	1485911	229090
Karnataka	4401317	250680	328259	217078	1738366	1792408	74526
Kerala	2052065	89484	113831	86810	705910	1038224	17806
Madhya Pradesh	7559938	385442	454454	352116	2645593	3585997	136336
Maharashtra	6659168	310955	319957	297291	2363091	3262248	105626
Manipur	323517	8957	8213	9571	93146	164160	39470
Meghalaya	434797	15022	13109	14442	128498	219840	43886
Mizoram	134467	4504	5871	4557	40177	60692	18666
Nagaland	126149	1248	823	1421	35243	63853	23561
Odisha	4172238	216931	273150	205238	1413280	1818409	245230
Punjab	1666192	92682	82476	92730	619953	743723	34628
Rajasthan	4291847	268853	306914	221708	1778682	1676186	39504
Sikkim	39646	1431	1303	1473	11174	16970	7295
Tamil Nadu	4265582	239369	291255	233428	1673707	1783735	44088
Telangana	2165718	113205	147726	111407	906789	864920	21671
Tripura	353173	13315	14907	12281	112856	166363	33451
Uttar Pradesh	22250131	1072799	1339353	1003797	9066999	9594907	172276
Uttarakhand	843338	56742	55428	51371	358355	250608	70834
West Bengal	8603313	463805	528087	464856	3124329	4022236	0
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12810	717	712	704	6756	3921	0

Dadra & Nagar Haveli - Daman & Diu	37188	2273	2845	2216	15680	14174	0
Delhi	651097	59189	55438	59009	326962	150499	0
J&K	916685	45103	49718	38916	341064	416391	25493
Ladakh	19274	960	1075	836	7794	8609	0
Lakshadweep	4742	348	361	354	2721	958	0
Puducherry	37259	3223	3053	2815	23002	5166	0
UT-Chandigarh	42811	3076	3112	3090	16020	17513	0
Total	101595221	5110631	5993874	4679411	38283259	45231161	2296885

Annexure II**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3677 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2025 REGARDING “SAKSHAM ANGANWADI AND POSHAN 2.0 SCHEME”**

Details of Central share released and utilized under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 during the last five years and current year in the State of Haryana:

(Rupees in crores)										
Name of the State/UT	Mission Poshan 2.0									
	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24	2024-25
	Funds released	Funds Utilized	Funds released	Fund utilise	Funds released	Fund utilise	Funds released	Fund utilise	Funds released	Funds released
Haryana	181.00	149.87	185.29	232.54	173.03	146.99	195.25	150.24	225.78	232.69
