GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *119 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025

AWCs IN ANDHRA PRADESH

*119. SHRI GOLLA BABURAO;

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that nearly 150 Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) in Andhra Pradesh are opened for less than 20 percent of working days as of June, 2025;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that many Anganwadi Centres are not opened 100 percent of working days; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by the Ministry to see that all Anganwadi Centres are opened 100 percent on all working days?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (C) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 119 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025 REGARDING "AWCS IN ANDHRA PRADESH"

- (a) Yes Sir.
- **(b) and (c)** Poshan Tracker an ICT tool has been implemented for monitoring and tracking of infrastructure and service delivery at Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) and beneficiaries on defined indicators. Poshan Tracker is leveraged for dynamic identification of stunting, wasting, underweight prevalence among children. It has facilitated near real time data collection for Anganwadi Services such as, daily attendance, ECCE, Provision of Hot Cooked Meal (HCM)/Take Home Ration (THR-not raw ration), Growth Measurement, Monthly Progress Reports (MPR) providing detailed insights into program performance, Daily tracking of AWC activities with photo capture for monitoring etc.

Poshan Tracker includes a heat map visualization feature to provide a graphical representation of data trends and patterns. This tool enables stakeholders to identify high-priority areas, such as regions with higher malnutrition rates, gaps in service delivery etc. Poshan Tracker application is integrated with the Local Government Directory (LGD) to ensure accurate and standardized location data for all AWCs. Latitude and longitude features have been added to ensure accurate geotagging during photo capture of AWC facilities.

Poshan Tracker is supported by a dedicated Poshan Helpline no. 1515; a multilingual support system which ensures accessibility and complaint mechanism for beneficiaries and Anganwadi Workers across diverse regions of India.

Through sustained engagements and meetings at regular intervals, States and UTs have been requested to optimize coverage of beneficiaries including child beneficiaries and ensure efficient implementation of the scheme.

Further, Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 is a Centrally Sponsored scheme. The Central Government is responsible for policy and planning and the State Governments and UT Administrations are responsible for day-to-day program implementation.

Details of opening of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) of all States/UTs including State of Andhra Pradesh is available on public dashboard of Poshan Tracker at the link: https://www.poshantracker.in/statistics.
