## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

### RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1263

TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025

### IMPLEMENTATION OF BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO (BBBP) SCHEME IN KARNATAKA

#### 1263. SHRI LAHAR SINGH SIROYA:

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

- (a) whether Government has recently strengthened the implementation of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme across the country including the State of Karnataka;
- (b) the number of districts in the State of Karnataka where awareness campaigns and enrollment initiatives have been conducted;
- (c) whether any new measure has been introduced to improve sex ratio at birth and reduce gender discrimination; and
- (d) the steps taken to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the scheme?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d): Beti Bachao Beti Padhao helps to address Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and attendant issue of empowerment of girls and women. The scheme tries to create mindset and behavioural changes towards the girl child by informing, influencing, motivating, engaging, and empowering various stakeholders. In the 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission Period, BBBP as a component under the SAMBAL vertical of Mission Shakti, has been expanded to cover all the districts of the country including all districts in Karnataka through multi-sectoral interventions encouraging greater spend on activities that have on ground impact. The implementation of the scheme lies with the State Governments and UT Administrations. The State Government of Karnataka has conducted awareness campaigns and enrolment initiatives in all 31 districts of the State.

As per the latest reports of Health Management Information System (HMIS) of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) at the national level has increased from 918 in 2014-15 to 929 in 2024-25.

NITI Aayog has conducted an evaluation of the schemes of the Ministry of Women and Child Development for Financial Years 2019 to 2024. The study found that the SAMBAL vertical of Mission Shakti is highly relevant and effectively addresses key gender challenges through integrated, data-driven services. By prioritizing vulnerable groups and fostering behaviour change through BBBP, the initiative strengthens women's safety and empowerment across the country.

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