

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1862  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16/12/2025**

**TOTAL FERTILITY RATE IN THE COUNTRY**

**1862. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:**

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has observed a steady decline in India's Total Fertility Rate (TFR) in recent years and if so, the key findings regarding the pace, pattern and demographic implication of this decline;
- (b) the manner in which India's TFR trajectory compares with global fertility trends, particularly with countries experiencing rapid aging, shrinking workforces and socio-economic pressures arising from prolonged below-replacement fertility, along with the latest State-wise TFR figures; and
- (c) whether the Ministry is adopting differentiated strategies for both high-fertility and low-fertility regions and the specific interventions being implemented to ensure balanced population growth, strengthen family planning services and mitigate long-term demographic risks?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY  
WELFARE  
(SMT ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

(a) to (c) The Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is 2.0 as per National Family Health Survey-5 (2019-21) and 2.2 as per National Family Health Survey-4 (2015-16). It is in alignment with the goals of the National Population Policy 2000 and National Health Policy 2017. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare focuses on voluntary adoption of family planning services, with programmatic interventions to promote healthy timing and spacing of pregnancies for health and well-being of the mother and child. An integrated approach with Continuum of Care across maternal, child, and adolescent health is supported with various IEC and awareness activities to safeguard the health of the mother and child. State-specific budgets under the Programme Implementation Plan are considered for approval based on the proposals submitted by the States/UTs. The State-wise TFR is placed at Annexure.

**State/UT-wise Total Fertility Rate (TFR)**  
(Source: National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5))

State/UT	NFHS 5 (2019-21)
<b>INDIA</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	1.3
Andhra Pradesh	1.7
Arunachal Pradesh	1.8
Assam	1.9
Bihar	3.0
Chandigarh	1.4
Chhattisgarh	1.8
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	1.8
Delhi	1.6
Goa	1.3
Gujarat	1.9
Haryana	1.9
Himachal Pradesh	1.7
Jammu and Kashmir	1.4
Jharkhand	2.3
Karnataka	1.7
Kerala	1.8
Ladakh	1.3
Lakshadweep	1.4
Madhya Pradesh	2.0
Maharashtra	1.7
Manipur	2.2
Meghalaya	2.9
Mizoram	1.9
Nagaland	1.7
Odisha	1.8
Puducherry	1.5
Punjab	1.6
Rajasthan	2.0
Sikkim	1.1
Tamil Nadu	1.8
Telangana	1.8
Tripura	1.7
Uttar Pradesh	2.4
Uttarakhand	1.9
West Bengal	1.6