

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1888  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026**

**IMMUNIZATION COVERAGE IN J & K UNDER UIP**

**1888 SHRI SAT PAUL SHARMA:**

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

- (a) the current percentage of full immunization coverage achieved across all twenty districts of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP);
- (b) the specific milestones registered under the Intensified Mission Indradhanush to track, identify and vaccinate drop-out or zero-dose children in the UT's difficult terrains; and
- (c) the special structural strategies, such as mobile health clinics or border-area immunization camps, being deployed to overcome vaccine hesitancy and geographical barriers among nomadic populations like the Gujjars and Bakarwals?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) The district-wise Full Immunization Coverage (FIC) of Jammu & Kashmir for the FY 2025-26 is placed at **Annexure**.
- (b) As reported by the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, the specific milestones registered under the Intensified Mission Indradhanush are :

- Zero-dose and dropout children were identified through MCP (Mother & Child Protection) cards and RCH (Reproductive & Child Health) registers
- ASHAs (Accredited Social Health Activists) conducted house-to-house surveys for beneficiary tracking, mobilization, and vaccination
- The comprehensive headcount survey identified 23,630 children (0-2 years age group) and 8,482 children (2-5 years age group).
- A total of 2,408 zero-dose children received vaccination for the first time during the Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) 5.0, including 1,402 children below

one year, 470 children aged one to less than two years, and 536 children aged 2-5 years

- Community awareness activities, supported by inter-sectoral engagement improved vaccine acceptance.
- Special outreach sessions in hard-to-reach and remote areas ensured that all eligible children received due vaccines.

(c) As reported by the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, to address vaccine hesitancy and geographical barriers, particularly among the nomadic Gujjar and Bakarwal communities, 336 Tribal ASHAs have been engaged under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) to facilitate beneficiary identification, community mobilization, counselling, and tracking of eligible children and pregnant women during seasonal migration. These Tribal ASHAs, owing to their familiarity with the local language, culture, migration routes, and community practices, play a crucial role in overcoming vaccine hesitancy, improving acceptance of immunization services and ensuring access to remote and difficult to reach habitations.

Their efforts are complemented by special outreach vaccination sessions, updated micro-plans incorporating migratory routes and seasonal settlements and inter-sectoral coordination to ensure that eligible beneficiaries are not left out of immunization services due to migration or geographical constraints.

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**Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of the RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1888 to be answered on 04.08.2026**

**Annexure**

District-wise Full Immunization Coverage (FIC) for the UT of Jammu & Kashmir for FY 2025-26

| <b>Sr. No</b>                  | <b>Name of UT/District</b> | <b>% FIC</b> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
|                                | <b>Jammu&amp; Kashmir</b>  | <b>100</b>   |
| 1                              | Anantnag                   | 100          |
| 2                              | Budgam                     | 99.9         |
| 3                              | Bandipora                  | 100          |
| 4                              | Baramulla                  | 100          |
| 5                              | Doda                       | 100          |
| 6                              | Ganderbal                  | 100          |
| 7                              | Jammu                      | 96.6         |
| 8                              | Kathua                     | 98.7         |
| 9                              | Kishtwar                   | 100          |
| 10                             | Kulgam                     | 100          |
| 11                             | Kupwara                    | 100          |
| 12                             | Poonch                     | 100          |
| 13                             | Pulwama                    | 97.1         |
| 14                             | Rajouri                    | 100          |
| 15                             | Ramban                     | 100          |
| 16                             | Reasi                      | 100          |
| 17                             | Samba                      | 100          |
| 18                             | Shopian                    | 100          |
| 19                             | Srinagar                   | 100          |
| 20                             | Udhampur                   | 100          |
| <b>Source: HMIS FY 2025-26</b> |                            |              |