

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 148
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10TH MARCH, 2017
POPULATION GROWTH**

***148. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:
DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the details of current rate of growth of population of India;
- (b) the schemes and programmes being run by the Government to control the growth rate of population; and
- (c) the expenditure incurred on these schemes during the last three years?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 148* FOR 10TH MARCH, 2017**

- (a) The decadal growth rate of the country has declined significantly from 21.54% for the period 1991-2001 to 17.64% during 2001-11.
- (b) The schemes and programmes being run by the Government to control the growth rate of population are detailed in Annexure I.
- (c) The expenditure incurred on these schemes during the last three years is detailed in Annexure II.

Annexure I

The schemes and programmes being run by the Government to control the growth rate of population

New initiatives

- **Mission Parivar Vikas:** Mission Parivar Vikas focuses on a stratified approach for increasing access to contraceptives and Family Planning Services in 146 high fertility districts spread across seven high focus states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Assam, which intends to improve the overall development parameters of these districts.
- **New Contraceptive Choices:** The current basket of choice has been expanded to include the new contraceptives viz. Injectable contraceptives, Centchroman and Progesterone Only Pills (POP).
- **New Contraceptive Packaging:** The packaging for Condoms, OCPs and ECPs has now been improved and redesigned so as to influence the demand for these commodities
- **New Family Planning Media Campaign:** A 360 degree media campaign with Shri Amitabh Bacchan as the brand ambassador has been launched to generate demand for contraceptive services.
- **Enhanced Compensation Scheme for Sterilization-** The sterilization compensation scheme has been enhanced in 11 high focus states (8 EAG states, Assam, Gujarat, Haryana)
- **New IUCD (Cu 375)** with 5 years effectivity has been introduced in the programme as an addition to the exiting IUCD (Cu 380A with effectivity of 10 years).
- **New method of IUCD** insertion i.e. **PPIUCD** has been introduced.
- **Rejuvenation of Postpartum Family Planning (PPFP)** services with Post-partum IUCD (PPIUCD), post-partum sterilization (PPS) and Progestin only Pills (POP) to capitalize on the huge cases coming in for institutional delivery under JSY/ JSSK.
- A new **scheme for providing drop back** services to clients undergoing sterilization services has been launched.
- Appointment of **dedicated RMNCH+A counsellors** at high case load facilities.
- Assured delivery of family planning services - In the last four years states have shown their commitment to strengthen fixed day family planning services for both IUCD and sterilization.
- Scheme for **Home delivery of contraceptives** by ASHAs at doorstep of beneficiaries under which more than 9 lakhs ASHAs distribute contraceptives as they move from home to home:
- States have been directed to install **condom boxes in the facilities** so that beneficiaries can access the same in privacy.
- **A new contraceptive logistic management information system (FPLMIS)** has been planned through C-DAC to ensure better supply chain management of Family Planning commodities.
- **Scheme for ASHAs to ensure spacing in births:**

- Under the scheme, services of ASHAs are being utilized for counselling newly married couples to ensure delay of 2 years in birth after marriage and couples with 1 child to have spacing of 3 years after the birth of 1st child.
- The scheme is being implemented in 18 states of the country (8 EAG, 8 North East, Gujarat and Haryana). Additionally the spacing component has been approved in West Bengal, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Punjab, Maharashtra, Daman Diu and Dadra and Nagar Haveli
- **Annual Celebration of World Population Day & fortnight (July 11 – July 24):**
 - The World Population Day celebration is a step to boost Family Planning efforts all over the country.
 - The event is observed over a month long period, split into an initial fortnight of mobilization/sensitization followed by a fortnight of assured family planning service delivery.
 - June 27 to July 10: “Dampati Sampark Pakhwada” or “Mobilisation Fortnight”
 - July 11 to July 24 “Jansankhya Sthirtha Pakhwada” or “Population Stabilisation Fortnight”

On-going Initiatives

- Ensuring quality of care in Family Planning services by establishing Quality Assurance Committees (**State and district indemnity subcommittees: SISC and DISC**) in all states and districts.
- Increasing **male participation** and promotion of ‘Non Scalpel Vasectomy’.
- Operating the ‘**National Family Planning Indemnity Scheme**’ (**NFPIS**) under which clients are insured in the eventualities of deaths, complications and failures following sterilization and the providers/ accredited institutions are indemnified against litigations in those eventualities.
- Compensation scheme for sterilization acceptors - under the scheme MoHFW provides compensation for loss of wages to the beneficiaries on account of undergoing sterilisation.
- Accreditation of more private/ NGO facilities to increase the provider base for family planning services under PPP.
- Improving contraceptives supply management up to peripheral facilities
- A rational human resource development plan is in place for provision of IUCD, Minilap and NSV to empower the facilities (DH, CHC, PHC, SHC) with at least one provider each for each of the services and Sub Centres with ANMs trained in IUCD insertion
- Emphasis on Minilap Tubectomy services because of its logistical simplicity with less failure rates.
- Demand generation activities in the form of display of posters, billboards and other audio and video materials in the various facilities.

STRETAGIES ADOPTED BY JANSANKHYA STHIRATA KOSH/NATIONAL POPULATION STABILIZATION FUND FOR POPULATION CONTROL:

Prerna Strategy:- JSK has launched this strategy for helping to push up the age of marriage of girls and delay in first child and spacing in second child birth in the interest of health of young mothers and infants. The couple who adopt this strategy awarded suitably. This helps to change the mindsets of the community.

Santushti Strategy:- Under this strategy, Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh, invites private sector gynaecologists and vasectomy surgeons to conduct sterilization operations in Public Private Partnership mode. The private hospitals/nursing home who achieved target of 10 or more are suitably awarded as per strategy.

National Helpline:- JSK is also running a call centers for providing free advice on reproductive health, family planning, maternal health and child health etc. Toll free no. is 1800116555.

Impact of population control measures:

- The percentage decadal growth rate of the country has declined significantly from 21.5% for the period 1991-2001 to 17.7% during 2001-2011.
- Total Fertility Rate (TFR) was 3.2 at the time when National Population Policy 2000 was adopted and the same has declined to 2.2 as per **NFHS IV** conducted by the Registrar General of India.
- Trend of Crude Birth Rate and Total Fertility Rate for the last three years for which SRS data is available:

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 (NFHS IV) |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Crude Birth Rate | 21.4 | 21.0 | 20.8 | |
| Total Fertility Rate | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 |

Annexure II**Expenditure incurred on Family Planning during the last three years**

| | 2013-14 (Rs. in lakhs) | 2014-15 (Rs. in lakhs) | 2015-16 (Rs. in lakhs) |
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| Expenditure under Family Planning | 44673.04 | 69046.06 | 77057.88 |