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MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 28
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SMART PHONES AND TABLETS TO ANGANWADI WORKERS/HELPERS

28. SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering on a scheme to provide smart phones and tablets to Anganwadi Workers/helpers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government under the said scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. VIRENDRA KUMAR)

- (a) to (c) Yes Madam, The Government has recently approved the setting up of new National Nutrition Mission (NNM) to address the problem of malnutrition in the country. The objective of the Mission is to ensure “*Suposhit Bharat*” - free of stunting, wasting and anaemia by targeting reduction in the level of under-nutrition, etc. Under the said scheme, there is a provision of smart phones for Anganwadi Workers and Tablets for Supervisors.

Besides above, the scheme would ensure convergence with various programmes; incentivize States/ UTs for achieving goals; IT enabled Real Time Monitoring (ICT-RTM) by using smart phones and tablets; Evaluation; weighing efficiency and making nutrition visible; Community mobilisation awareness advocacy; IEC, Jan Andolan - to educate the people on nutritional aspects, on-line Course on Nutrition for Children, Nutrition message from folk songs and songs on WASH, sending messages on nutrition and also creating ring-tones, Yoga for children at AWCs; strengthening human resource; measuring height and length of children below 6 years of age; roll out of NNM - 315 districts in 2017-18, 235 districts in 2018-19 and remaining districts in 2019-20. The total budget of the scheme is Rs. 9046.17 crore for three years from 2017-18.
