

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UN-STARRED QUESTION NO: 4137
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2018

POSHAN ABHIYAN

4137: SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether it is true that a large component of Poshan Abhiyan involves gradual scaling up of interventions supported by the ongoing World Bank assisted Integrated Child Development Service (ICDS) scheme and systems;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the project will also include investments in improving the skills and capacities of ICDS staff and community nutrition workers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

- (a) & (b): The implementation of POSHAN *Abhiyaan* is in a phased manner i.e 315 districts in 2017-18, 235 districts in 2018-19 and remaining districts in 2019-20. Each phase includes all the interventions under POSHAN *Abhiyaan*.
- (c) & (d): Capacity enhancement of frontline functionaries is being done through Incremental Learning Approach (ILA). Joint planning, implementation, and review of performance with health functionaries and continued knowledge and learning exchange through workshops and exposure visits to best practices are a part of this approach. A total of 21 ILA modules have been developed and disseminated to all States/ UTs and are also available on Ministry's website wcd.nic.in.
