

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1150
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH FEBRUARY, 2019**

FAMILY PLANNING FOR MALES

1150. SHRI ARVIND SAWANT:

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

- (a) the initiatives being taken by the Government to increase male participation in family planning;
- (b) the name of States having better male participation in family planning in terms of better uptake of male contraceptives;
- (c) whether the Government is devising initiatives to introduce newer contraceptives for males in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to increase frequency of 'Vasectomy Fortnight' in the country and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): The initiatives undertaken by the Government to increase male participation in Family Planning are:-
 - 1) Observation of 'Vasectomy Fortnight' in the month of November every year in all States of India to raise awareness on male participation and promotion of male sterilization.
 - 2) Training of service providers in No Scalpel Vasectomy (NSV) to enhance the pool of service providers.
 - 3) Condom boxes set up in facilities to enable clients to access condoms in privacy.
 - 4) The 'Home Delivery of Contraceptive Scheme' to deliver contraceptives including condoms to the beneficiaries.
 - 5) Substantially increased compensation for male sterilization under the Enhanced compensation scheme for sterilization.
 - 6) A 360 degree media campaign underlining the role of men in family planning to encourage men to adopt family planning methods.
- (b): Details of States having better Male participation in Family Planning in terms of better uptake of male contraceptives as per NFHS 4 is placed at Annexure.
- (c): No; does not arise.
- (d): In Mission Parivar Vikas Districts (Districts with TFR>3), Government is conducting 4 Mission Parivar Vikas campaigns in a year. These campaigns involve extensive mobilization activities including promotion of male participation and assured vasectomy services.

Details of States having better Male Participation in Family Planning**Source NFHS-4**

S. No.	STATE*	Current Use of male family planning methods (Male sterilization + Condom) (%)
1	Chandigarh	28.6
2	Delhi	20.2
3	Punjab	19.5
4	Uttarakhand	16.8
5	Himachal Pradesh	15.1
6	Haryana	12.6
7	Jammu & Kashmir	11.7
8	Uttar Pradesh	10.9
9	Rajasthan	8.9
10	Sikkim	8.6
11	Maharashtra	7.5
12	Goa	7.1
13	West Bengal	6.0

The National average for Current Use of male family planning methods (Male sterilization + Condom) is **5.9 %**;

* Above 13 States have better male participation than National average (5.9 %)