FUNDS TO BIHAR UNDER ICDS

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Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes and programmes being implemented by the Government in Bihar under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme; and

(b) the funds released by the Union Government to Bihar under the said Scheme during each of the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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(a) Anganwadi Services (erstwhile Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services Scheme) under “Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0” is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme implemented by States/UTs with the following objectives:-

i. To improve the nutritional and health status of children in the age-group of 0-6 years;

ii. To lay the foundation for proper psychological, physical and social development of the child;

iii. To reduce the incidence of mortality, morbidity, malnutrition and school dropouts;

iv. To achieve effective co-ordination of policy and implementation amongst the various departments to promote child development; and

v. To enhance the capability of the mother to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child through proper nutrition and health education.

Under Anganwadi Services, a package of six services, namely, (i) Supplementary Nutrition; (ii) Pre-school Non-formal Education; (iii) Nutrition & Health Education; (iv) Immunization; (v) Health Check-up; and (vi) Referral Services has been provided to all eligible beneficiaries, namely, children in the age group of 0-6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers through the platform of Anganwadi Centres across the country. Three of the services viz. Immunization, Health Check-up and Referral Services are related to health and are provided through National Health Mission (NHM)& Public Health Infrastructure.

The services are provided to all the eligible beneficiaries, who registered themselves at the Anganwadi Centres, without any limitation and necessary awareness has been created among public to avail the nutritional and health services provided. Further, following Sub-schemes concerned with nutrition have been realigned and brought under “Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0”:

i) Anganwadi Services (in place of ICDS)

ii) Scheme for Adolescent Girls

iii) POSHAN Abhiyaan

Components under Saksham Anganwadi have been reorganized in key verticals, viz., Nutrition Support for Poshan and for Adolescent Girls; Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years] for enhancing quality of learning and learning material; Anganwadi Infrastructure including Saksham Anganwadis. All beneficiaries registered at 13.91 Lakh AWCs will be covered including children (6 months-6 years) and Pregnant Women &Lactating Mothers. The Adolescent Girls in the age group 14-18 years are covered as beneficiaries only in the in Aspirational Districts of the country and in the North Eastern Region States (in place of earlier coverage of all out of school adolescent girls in the age group 11-14 years in entire country).
Under Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, 2 lakh selected AWCs (40,000 AWCs per year) would be strengthened, upgraded and rejuvenated for improved nutrition delivery.

(b) The details of funds released to Bihar during the last three years is as under:

(Rupees in Lakhs)

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APIP- Annual Programme Implementation Plan
SNP- Supplementary Nutrition Programme

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