

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 568**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022

**FUNDS FOR NATIONAL NUTRITION MISSION**

568. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

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

- (a) the details of funds released to the States particularly in Bihar under the National Nutrition Mission during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the names of the districts of the State identified under the said Mission along with the details of the campaign for publicity and awareness of the same;
- (c) whether any training programme is being conducted towards ensuring smooth operation of the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) The State/UT wise details of funds released under POSHAN Abhiyaan during the last three years including the state of Bihar is at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) All the districts of Bihar are covered under the Abhiyaan. The details are annexed at **Annexure II**.

With respect to publicity and awareness, an important focus under Poshan Abhiyan has been on 'Behaviour Change Communication' for greater awareness on good health and nutrition practices and to address inadequate and inappropriate infant and young child feeding practices, nutrition and care during pregnancy and adolescence. In order to ensure community mobilization and bolster people's participation, every year, the month of September is celebrated as POSHAN Maah and the month of March is celebrated as Poshan Pakhwada across the country. Over the years, themes have included overall nutrition, hygiene, water and sanitation, anemia prevention, importance of breast-feeding, growth monitoring, role of Poshan Panchayats, AYUSH for Well-being, 'Back to Basics – Yoga for Health', importance of

Poshan Vatikas for cultivation of local vegetables, medicinal plants/herbs and fruits at the community level, *Poshan ke Paanch Sutra* etc.

In the state of Bihar, during Poshan Maah, 2022, around 1.73 crore activities were conducted, whereas, during Poshan Pakhwada 2022, around 31.56 lakh activities were conducted across various themes.

(c) & (d) Capacity building of Anganwadi Workers and other front line functionaries is one of the core activities under POSHAN Abhiyaan. Till date, approximately 10.22 lakh ICDS functionaries have been trained across the country. Capacity building is also conducted through digital platform. Approximately, 6.61 lakh field functionaries have undergone training through digital platform. Further, all the Anganwadi workers of the State have been trained in different modules under the capacity building component of POSHAN Abhiyaan. Some of the key modules, include identification and care of a weak newborn baby, complementary feeding, diet diversity, preventing anemia in women, assessment of growth in children, ensuring exclusive breastfeeding, supporting mothers with issues in breastfeeding etc

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**Annexure- I**

**State-wise statement of funds released under POSHAN Abhiyaan (as on 31.03.2022)**

**Amount in lakhs**

Sl.	States/UTs	Central Funds released in FY 2019-20	Central Funds released in FY 2020-21	Central Funds released in FY 2021-22
1	A & N Islands	307.62	100	518.98
2	Andhra Pradesh	13296.52	889.71	0
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1006.62	99.6	0
4	Assam	14171	987.04	0
5	Bihar	25465	1835.48	0
6	Chandigarh	353	107.2	122.66
7	Chhattisgarh	0	839.58	0
8	D & N Haveli and Daman & Diu	878.14	0	0
9	Delhi	0	174.35	0
10	Goa	0	20.19	0
11	Gujarat	14863	0	0
12	Haryana	0	415.39	0
13	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0
14	Jammu & Kashmir	1238.29	492.24	0
15	Jharkhand	0	0	0
16	Karnataka	7967.39	1054.58	0
17	Kerala	0	2679.61	0
18	Ladakh	0	118.768	0
19	Lakshadweep	126.75	100	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	0	1554.16	0
21	Maharashtra	33061.47	1767.776	0
22	Manipur	0	184.16	0
23	Meghalaya	2802.8	94.336	0
24	Mizoram	1498	0	753.48
25	Nagaland	2298.17	1550.11	360.12
26	Odisha	0	0	12842.35
27	Puducherry	497	13.68	0
28	Punjab	0	0	0
29	Rajasthan	8941	0	0
30	Sikkim	923	20.928	0
31	Tamil Nadu	11509	0	0
32	Telangana	7003	571.2	0
33	Tripura	0	162.32	0
34	Uttar Pradesh	16166	2779.49	0
35	Uttarakhand	7086	321.07	0
36	West Bengal	0	1911.7	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>171458.77</b>	<b>20844.66</b>	<b>14597.59</b>

**Annexure II**

**Districts of Bihar covered under POSHAN Abhiyaan**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of District</b>
1	Araria
2	Arwal
3	Aurangabad
4	Banka
5	Begusarai
6	Bhagalpur
7	Bhojpur
8	Buxar
9	Darbhanga
10	East Champaran
11	Gaya
12	Gopalganj
13	Jamui
14	Jehanabad
15	Khagaria
16	Kishanganj
17	Kaimur
18	Katihar
19	Lakhisarai
20	Madhubani
21	Munger
22	Madhepura
23	Muzaffarpur
24	Nalanda
25	Nawada
26	Patna
27	Purnia
28	Rohtas
29	Saharsa
30	Samastipur
31	Sheohar
32	Sheikhpura
33	Saran
34	Sitamarhi
35	Supaul
36	Siwan
37	Vaishali
38	West Champaran

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