

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 362
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

SUPPLEMENT FOOD FOR PREGNANT AND LACTATING WOMEN

362. SHRI SANGANNA AMARAPPA:
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has allocated adequate funds and support for the provision of nutritious and special supplement food for pregnant and lactating women;
- (b) if so, the details of funds allocated during each of the last seven years, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the WHO and UNDP report on prevalence of malnutrition and undernourishment among the children, pregnant and lactating women in the country, if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to reduce malnutrition and undernourishment prevailing among the children, pregnant and lactating women in the country indicating the amount to be allocated for the same in the next three years, State-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b) Under Anganwadi Services Scheme, a package of services including Supplementary Nutrition is provided to pregnant women and lactating mothers through the platform of Anganwadi Centres till the child attains 6 months of age to meet the nutritional standards specified under National Food Security Act 2013.

Through the platform of Anganwadi Centres, IFA supplementation is given to pregnant women for at least 100 days. In the last seven years, since FY 2016-17, a total of Rs 58247.03 crore has been provided to States/UTs for Supplementary Nutrition Programme, as on date.

Details of funds released to the States/UTs under Supplementary Nutrition Programme of Anganwadi Services is at Annexure I.

(c) The multilateral organizations like UNDP and WHO at times conduct studies on various issues relating to women and children. Such reports are normally presented to the Ministry for possible follow-up action. No such report relating to prevalence of malnutrition and undernourishment has been shared with the Ministry by UNDP or WHO. The estimated number of malnourishment and undernourishment among children and women in the country is obtained under National Family Health Survey (NFHS) conducted by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

(d) The efforts under the Supplementary Nutrition Programme of Anganwadi Services and POSHAN Abhiyaan have been aligned under 'Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0' (Mission Poshan 2.0) which seeks to address the challenges of malnutrition in children, adolescent girls, pregnant women and lactating mothers through a strategic shift in nutrition content and delivery and by creation of a convergent eco-system to develop and promote practices that nurture health, wellness and immunity. Under Poshan 2.0, focus is on diet diversity, food fortification, and popularizing use of millets. Nutrition awareness strategies under Poshan 2.0 aim to develop sustainable health and well-being through wholesome local foods to bridge dietary gaps.

Dietary diversification in the Anganwadi platform encourages the consumption of micronutrient rich foods, viz., dark green leafy vegetables, lentils and vitamin C rich fruits. To reduce the malnutrition and anemia in women and children arising due to deficiency of micro nutrients like Iron, Folic Acid and Vitamin B-12, under Supplementary Nutrition Programme of Anganwadi Services, Fortified Rice was allocated to 21 States/UTs during the 2nd quarter of FY 2021-22 and from the 3rd quarter of FY 2021-22 onwards only Fortified Rice is being allocated to all the State/UTs. So far, this Ministry has allocated 731962 MTs of Fortified Rice in FY 2021-22 and 938207 MTs of Fortified rice up to third quarter of FY 2022-23 to all the States/UTs.

Further, greater emphasis is being given on the use of millets for preparation of Hot Cooked Meal and Take Home rations at Anganwadis for Pregnant Women, Lactating mothers and children below 6 years of age, as millets have high nutrient content which includes protein, essential fatty acid, dietary fibre, B-Vitamins, minerals such as calcium, iron, zinc, folic acid and other micro-nutrients thus helping to tackle anemia and other micro-nutrient deficiencies common among women and children. As per the Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 guidelines, millets need to be mandatorily supplied at least once a week and suitably integrated in Take Home Ration (not raw ration) and Hot Cooked Meals in a palatable form.

Further, six area-wise diet charts for pregnant women and malnourished pregnant women, were developed in pursuance to the Lok Sabha proceedings on 22nd November 2019 .

Mission POSHAN 2.0 will be implemented during the 15th Finance Commission period upto 2025-26 with a total financial implication of ₹1,81,703 crore, comprising ₹1,02,031 crore as Central share and ₹79,672 crore as State share. Allocation to States/UTs will depend on fund utilisation and requirement by States/UTs

Annexure-1

Rs. in lakhs														
Sl. No.	State/UTs	Fund Allocated/Released under Supplementary Nutrition Programme												
		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23
		APIP Approved	Funds released	APIP Approved	Funds released	APIP Approved	Funds released	APIP Approved	Funds released	APIP Approved	Funds released	APIP Approved	Funds released	Fund released
1	ANDHRA	33996.12	31467.53	32916.43	31596.87	39530.13	37353.55	35844.15	32726.24	37473.16	37135.93	37135.93	38268.02	9283.98
2	BIHAR	58085.28	52520.17	54423.27	53741.97	70750.25	76987.83	77825.28	76100.71	85607.81	85607.81	85607.81	88368.99	64205.86
3	CHHATTISGARH	19992.11	22461.93	22699.81	25724.9	27099.81	24279.95	29809.79	20930.7	32790.77	24593.07	24593.07	26771.73	12296.54
4	GOA	498.28	591.45	664.6	1011.2	863.98	859.5	845.46	826.38	881.76	858.8	871.86	440.88	435.93
5	GUJARAT	21973.18	36162.61	28235.82	38496.97	32535.82	32051.56	35789.4	33671.97	39368.34	33671.97	33671.97	50526.47	25253.98
6	HARYANA	6575.13	7131.04	6342.75	3945.75	7645.58	7305.22	8410.14	4205.09	9251.15	5919.04	5919.04	5919.04	4439.28
7	JHARKHAND	18153.74	28723.1	25140.96	25347.42	29083.25	29083.25	31991.58	22959.33	35190.74	26033.9	26033.9	17595.38	0
8	KARNATAKA	41444.92	33914.94	45222.48	56009.24	49589.22	43588.97	54548.14	42657.55	59944.17	41000	42415.51	58102.1	10603.88
9	KERALA	6280.32	8305.96	8296	10976.6	10784.8	10785.38	11863.28	14085.21	13049.61	13049.61	13049.61	19083.19	9787.21
10	MADHYA PRADESH	49406.18	55779.33	55724.11	66775.88	63241.34	64088.78	69565.47	71534.93	76522.02	74405.7	74405.7	55338.77	18601.43
11	MAHARASHTRA	39526.98	32053.19	49665.28	41445.78	55055.2	10653.52	60560.72	78949.43	66616.79	66330.71	85709.12	10523.93	68567.3
12	ODISHA	35046.9	25519.58	35698.64	47316.24	46408.23	43450.56	51049.06	49466.82	51279.05	50299.05	50299.05	49454.24	37724.29
13	PUNJAB	4978.88	3124.57	6144.75	5282.25	7488.18	3744.1	8237	5346.54	9060.7	4341.15	4477.26	4530.36	2238.64
14	RAJASTHAN	23535.76	33045.65	28939.88	34931.86	33221.84	34950.74	36544.02	29913.62	40198.42	34894.46	34894.46	31399.25	26170.85
15	TAMIL NADU	25535.68	26017.9	28651.21	33186.7	37246.57	37271.35	39331.66	37341.72	39852.62	39022.39	39022.39	36337.1	29266.8
16	TELANGANA	18292.97	17418.86	18076.35	18130.74	21170.5	22045.61	23287.55	22519.69	22487.67	21522.15	22029.15	24680.58	16521.87
17	UTTAR PRADESH	16078.42	16078.42	16524.43	12935.32	15615.99	10457.98	17177.159	14868.646	18894.875	13906.36	13906.36	13906.36	10429.77
18	WEST BENGAL	38485.72	30462.46	47617.5	67697.94	54420	68046.87	59862	59862	65848.2	65848.2	65848.2	32924.1	49386.15
19	DELHI	6740.28	7551.09	6762.17	4051.41	6762.17	3474.65	7438.39	4425.64	7185.75	6539.81	6539.81	7825.24	0
20	PUDUCHERRY	3404.04	1702.02	348.2	851.02	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	HIMACHAL PRADESH	5523.79	4662.06	5366.32	5795.63	6976.22	6976.21	7673.84	7655.5	8441.22	6919.79	7183.83	5766.4	1795.96

2	JAMMU &	8070.	4035.	4257.	4035.	4257.	2128.	4682.	2341.	4682.7	4629.	4629.	3458.	1157.
2	KASHMIR	34	18	02	17	02	5	72	36	2	5	5	83	38
2	UTTARA	9691.	4649.	11392	15212	12090	13612	13299	13308	14629.	14629	14629	15276	7314.
3	KHAND	34	44	.44	.13	.44	.57	.48	.15	43	.43	.43	.48	71
2	ANDAMA	262.6	262.6	284.5	284.5	369.9	369.9	406.9	327.4		406.4	406.4	203.2	
4	N &	7	8	7	7	4	4	4	4	406.43	3	3	2	0
2	NICOBAR													
2	CHANDIG	380.9	190.4	592.0	592.0	769.7	769.7	846.6	705.5		633.2	702.8	702.8	351.4
5	ARH	8	9	9	9	2	2	9	2	633.26	6	3	3	2
2	D &			129.8	129.8	168.8	168.8	185.7	185.7					
6	NAGAR	203.8	203.8	9	9	6	6	4	5					
2	Haveli													
2	DAMAN &	174.1	174.1	130.8	130.8	170.0	170.0	187.0	139.8		410.1	410.1	410.1	102.5
7	DIU	2	2	3	3	8	8	9	8	410.11	1	1	1	2
2	LADAKH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	554.23	554.2	133.6	277.1	182.2
8											3	5	2	3
2	LAKSHA					100.2	100.2	110.2					146.3	
9	DWEEP	68.31	68.32	77.12	85.35	6	6	8	55.14	121.31	90.99	171.3	3	42.83
3	ARUNAC													
3	HAL													
3	PRADES	4239.	4052.	4085.	4035.	5010.	4411.	3830.	2332.	4001.4	3708.	3708.	4725.	
0	H	79	72	14	02	68	4	67	96	4	17	17	67	0
3	ASSAM	37818	17921	35875	31554	45037	30597	49541	49541	54495.	54495	54495	69759	
1		.61	.03	.31	.71	.9	.01	.69	.69	86	.86	.86	.55	27246
3	MANIPUR	3077.		3914.	5244.	5089.	7134.	9960.	4980.	8771.4	10697	9101.	8588.	
2		49	500	63	2	02	08	45	21	9	.3	98	77	0
3	MEGHAL	8352.	11184	9422.	12238	10468	12364	11515	11582	11707.	11648	11240	11051	2810.
3	AYA	22	.72	19	.89	.21	.04	.03	.97	34	.95	.57	.14	14
3	MIZORA	2156.	2156.	2000.	1539.	2242.	1843.	2466.	2041.	2713.5	2288.	2288.	1862.	1144.
4	M	92	92	25	37	64	36	9	49	9	18	18	77	09
3	NAGALA	3490.	10611	6902.	7000.	7588.	8231.	7967.	7390.	8233.0	8232.	8232.	8232.	6174.
5	ND	47	.05	3	08	35	2	69	27	4	9	9	75	68
3	SIKKIM	585.5	644.3	632.4	481.2	751.1	450.6	582.8	291.4		336.4		303.2	
6		2	4	7	1	1	6	2	2	606.45	2	359.5	2	0
3	TRIPURA	5946.	4010.	6650.	6456.	7488.	7781.	8979.	7028.	8670.6	6503.	7104.	6883.	
7		55	56	22	59	55	78	7	04	8	02	28	37	0
	TOTAL	70277	68006	75852	79068	85763	84759	93681	86611	10106	89632	91638	92951	81440
		9.63	5.05	7.35	9.99	1.86	1.84	2.41	7.82	36.08	1.89	5.96	6.93	0.14