

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2023

POSHAN BHI, PADHAI BHI' PROGRAMME

1075. SHRI NAYAB SINGH AND SHRI GYANESHWAR PATIL

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

- (a) Whether the Government has specific targeted goals and the proposed timeframe set for achieving the objectives under the 'Poshan Bhi, Padhai Bhi' programme in the country and specifically in Kurukshetra and Khandwa Parliamentary Constituencies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the key focus areas and milestones envisaged within this programme emphasizing the planned outcomes or impacts aimed to be accomplished by the designated timeline?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) : Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi (PBPB) specifically targets upskilling of 13.1 lakh Anganwadi workers, to build their capacity to provide early childhood care and education, together with ongoing nutrition service provision. It also aims to create State Level Master Trainers (CDPOs, DPOs and Supervisors) who in turn would train anganwadi workers. The timeframe under Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi Programme is training of Anganwadi Workers in two phases during 2023-2026 covering all Anganwadi Workers in the country twice. In Kurukshetra district of Haryana, a State Level Master Trainers Programme was conducted in November, 2023. No training programme has been conducted in Khandwa district as of now.

(c) : Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi is for holistic development of all children under the age of 6, with a focus on building their skills in the key development domains identified under the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP) i.e. physical/motor, cognitive, socio emotional-ethical, cultural/artistic, and the development of communication and early language, literacy and numeracy through State Level Master Training which gives improved knowledge levels among Anganwadi workers for delivering early childhood care and education, improved capacity among Anganwadi workers, supervisors and CDPOs and effective training for frontline workers on education and nutrition for children aged 0-6 years.
