

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2268**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2023

**INITIATIVES FOR COMBATING MALNUTRITION**

2268 SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:  
SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU:

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

- (a) whether over the years, the Government has made painstaking efforts to combat malnutrition through various food security initiatives like mid-day meal scheme, ready-to-eat packets and hot meals served to mother and children at Anganwadi Centres under the POSHAN Abhiyaan, ever improving PDS along with various-add-ons such as egg, banana, protein powders, peanut chikki and jaggery being distributed under various special state specific schemes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, state-wise; and
- (c) the quantum of funds sanctioned/spent on these scheme, state/UT-wise till now?

**ANSWER**

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

(a)& (b) The Government has accorded high priority to the issue of malnutrition and is implementing several schemes/programmes of different Ministries/Departments through States/UTs to address various aspects related to nutrition. In the 15<sup>th</sup> FC, components of nutritional support for children below the age of 6 years, pregnant women and lactating mother, Adolescent Girls (14-16 years); Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years]; Anganwadi infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadi has been reorganised under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0) for effective implementation of the scheme.

Under Mission Poshan 2.0, Supplementary nutrition is provided to beneficiaries 300 days in a year through the network of 13.97 lakh AWC located across the country for bridging the gap in the intake as compared to the recommended dietary intake. The Mission also focusses on diet diversity, food fortification, leveraging traditional systems of knowledge and popularizing use of millets. Nutrition awareness strategies under Poshan 2.0 aim to develop sustainable health and well-being through area wise *diet charts* that have been prepared and disseminated to States/UTs for pregnant *women* and malnourished pregnant *women* in the reproductive age group to bridge dietary gaps.

Further, greater emphasis is being given on the use of millets for preparation of Hot Cooked Meal and Take Home rations (THR)(not raw food material) at Anganwadi centres 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 in women and children. Further, under Mission Poshan 2.0, only fortified rice is being allocated to all the States/UTs. In addition, States/UTs are supplementing the Supplementary Nutrition as per local food habits, which include peanut chikki, egg, banana, milk, etc.

Government issued Streamlining Guidelines on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 to ensure greater transparency and accountability and quality in nutrition service delivery under the 'Poshan Tracker', a robust ICT enabled platform to improve governance with regard to real time monitoring of provisioning of supplementary nutrition for prompt supervision and management of services.

(c) The State/UT wise statement of funds sanctioned/spent under Mission Poshan 2.0 during the last three years and current year (FY 2020-21 to FY 2023-24) is at **Annexure I.**

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## Annexure I

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (c) of LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2268 FOR 15.12.2023 REGARDING "INITIATIVES FOR COMBATING MALNUTRITION" ASKED BY SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY AND SHRI KANUMURU RAGHU RAMA KRISHNA RAJU

Funds released under Anganwadi Services and SAG for the year 2021-22 (As on 31.03.2022) (under Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0)			
(Rupees in lakhs)			
S.No	STATE	Fund released	Fund Utilised
1	2	3	4
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	74460.38	74990.85
2	BIHAR	157443.07	160801.5
3	CHHATTISGARH	60673.15	52272.36
4	GOA	1083.56	1291.72
5	GUJARAT	83985.65	75792.18
6	HARYANA	17303.35	14698.8
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	24798.74	18330.29
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	40573.74	98461.76
9	JHARKHAND	35297.77	39797.9
10	KARNATAKA	100370.19	105582.95
11	KERALA	38822.74	160901.59
12	MADHYA PRADESH	108546.91	87115.5
13	MAHARASHTRA	171338.93	17793.83
14	ODISHA	93756.11	77164.16
15	PUNJAB	38351.68	68127.94
16	RAJASTHAN	68264.63	47929.87
17	TAMIL NADU	65538.13	234191.44
18	TELANGANA	48232.68	137830.5
19	UTTAR PRADESH	240755.08	12552.28
20	UTTARAKHAND	35365.25	612.87
21	WEST BENGAL	66835.22	38667.93
22	DELHI	13310.70	70456.92
23	PUDUCHERRY	277.80	33602.58
24	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	1452.18	1333.23
25	CHANDIGARH	1409.52	2185.86
26	DNH & DAMAN DIU	933.39	955.91
27	LADAKH	1469.55	1467.45
28	LAKSHADWEEP	210.52	272.64
29	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	17082.84	23076.54
30	ASSAM	131989.88	143219.22
31	MANIPUR	22892.04	17728.41
32	MEGHALAYA	17332.82	17786.35
33	MIZORAM	5178.09	5519.81
34	NAGALAND	15620.15	15660.84
35	SIKKIM	2573.06	2459.08
36	TRIPURA	18672.47	17165.52
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1822761.97</b>	<b>1877798.58</b>

<b>Funds released under Anganwadi Services Scheme and SAG for the year 2022-23*(under Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0)</b>		
		(Rupees in lakhs)
<b>S.No</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>Fund Released</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	80071.09
2	BIHAR	170092.48
3	CHHATTISGARH	66863.43
4	GOA	1469.20
5	GUJARAT	91213.99
6	HARYANA	19502.72
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	26829.51
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	47881.91
9	JHARKHAND	43057.44
10	KARNATAKA	74840.35
11	KERALA	42439.92
12	MADHYA PRADESH	98973.29
13	MAHARASHTRA	164534.03
14	ODISHA	92341.66
15	PUNJAB	7507.59
16	RAJASTHAN	96337.52
17	TAMIL NADU	64893.13
18	TELANGANA	53332.86
19	UTTAR PRADESH	272052.80
20	UTTARAKHAND	41641.38
21	WEST BENGAL	122672.48
22	DELHI	18262.75
23	PUDUCHERRY	10.80
24	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	384.23
25	CHANDIGARH	3160.69
26	DNH & DD	561.73
27	LADAKH	1876.57
28	LAKSHADWEEP	42.83
29	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	13763.55
30	ASSAM	165128.07
31	MANIPUR	13588.98
32	MEGHALAYA	18808.51
33	MIZORAM	4280.74
34	NAGALAND	17589.25
35	SIKKIM	2032.69
36	TRIPURA	14954.55
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1952994.72</b>

\*Utilisation for FY 2022-23 is not due.

**State-wise statement of funds released and utilised under POSHAN Abhiyaan  
(as on 31.03.2023) [under Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0]**

**Amount in ₹lakhs**

Sl.	States/UTs	Central Funds released in 2021-22	Central Funds released in 2022-23	Total Central Funds utilised as on 31.03.2023*
1	A & N ISLANDS	518.97	47.45	413.54
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	0.00	2707.69	17560.81
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.00	14.7	1064.21
4	ASSAM	0.00	34.5	28032.7
5	BIHAR	0.00	3916.76	48380.32
6	CHANDIGARH	122.66	149.21	785.38
7	CHHATTISGARH	0	33	10222.43
8	D & N HAVELI and DAMAN & DIU	0.00	18.22	918.69
9	DELHI	0.00	14.25	3147.94
10	GOA	0.00	1.65	331.65
11	GUJARAT	0.00	50.4	29606.42
12	HARYANA	0.00	22.2	6664.26
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.00	194.38	9176.74
14	JAMMU & KASHMIR	0.00	19.2	9160.82
15	JHARKHAND	0.00	33.6	5467.55
16	KARNATAKA	0.00	1746.6	13221.94
17	KERALA	0.00	2057.7	10400.8
18	LADAKH	0.00	1.95	9.94
19	LAKSHADWEEP	0.00	1.35	356.05
20	MADHYA PRADESH	0.00	2183.79	20087.83
21	MAHARASHTRA	0.00	82.95	43714.39
22	MANIPUR	0.00	6.45	3714.79
23	MEGHALAYA	0.00	430.66	5073.38
24	MIZORAM	753.48	0.00	3212.43
25	NAGALAND	360.12	2340.56	5263.99
26	ODISHA	12842.35	50.7	25009.22
27	PUDUCHERRY	0.00	0.75	361.22
28	PUNJAB	0.00	23.25	5969.64
29	RAJASTHAN	0.00	1064.28	23227.86
30	SIKKIM	0.00	0.00	1370.988
31	TAMIL NADU	0.00	11787.6	21879.36
32	TELANGANA	0.00	1735.95	21495.19
33	TRIPURA	0.00	97.32	3774.79
34	UTTAR PRADESH	0.00	134.55	50652.81
35	UTTARAKHAND	0.00	943.09	12684.11
36	WEST BENGAL	0.00	86.4	0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>14597.59</b>	<b>32033.11</b>	<b>442414.19</b>

\*Includes the utilization of funds released under the POSHAN Abhiyaan from the year 2017-18

**Funds released under Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 for the year 2023-24  
(upto 08.12.2023)**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of State/UT</b>	<b>Fund released (Rs. in lakhs)</b>
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	17072.27
2	BIHAR	103694.73
3	CHHATTISGARH	28634.89
4	GOA	619.23
5	GUJARAT	22446.86
6	HARYANA	11054.94
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	16138.73
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	37408.37
9	JHARKHAND	33329.56
10	KARNATAKA	73657.07
11	KERALA	18371.41
12	MADHYA PRADESH	73862.93
13	MAHARASHTRA	117208.52
14	ODISHA	59405.09
15	PUNJAB	15055.31
16	RAJASTHAN	71209.77
17	TAMIL NADU	43869.39
18	TELANGANA	11777.08
19	UTTAR PRADESH	145144.26
20	UTTARAKHAND	15212.54
21	WEST BENGAL	63807.13
22	DELHI	8778.10
23	PUDUCHERRY	408.72
24	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	666.99
25	CHANDIGARH	728.96
26	DNH & DD	581.80
27	LADAKH	1008.78
28	LAKSHADWEEP	75.19
29	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	7930.17
30	ASSAM	88639.37
31	MANIPUR	13218.34
32	MEGHALAYA	10937.88
33	MIZORAM	3552.39
34	NAGALAND	11178.36
35	SIKKIM	10.49
36	TRIPURA	9822.46
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1124647.52</b>