

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 106**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2024

**INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

106. SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT

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

- (a) The total number of beneficiaries under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) in various States of the country;
- (b) The details of funds utilized under this scheme till now, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) The steps taken/being taken by the Government to strengthen this scheme and make it more effective State-wise and district-wise Supaul and Madhepura district in Bihar?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
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(a) to (c) In the 15th FC, components of nutritional support for children below the age of 6 years, pregnant women and lactating mother, Adolescent Girls (14 – 18 years); Early Childhood Care and Education [3-6 years]; Anganwadi infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadi, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganised under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0).

The State-wise number of beneficiaries under the scheme is at Annexure-I. The State-wise details of funds released and utilized is placed at Annexure-II.

The Mission Poshan 2.0 is a universal self-selecting Scheme available to all the beneficiaries who enroll at the AWCs. The scheme is being implemented in all the 36 States/UTs covering all the districts of the country including Supaul and Madhepura districts of Bihar.

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. Only fortified rice is being supplied to AWCs to meet the requirement of micro nutrient and control anemia among women and children. Greater emphasis is being given on the use of millets for preparation of Hot Cooked Meal and Take Home rations (THR-not raw ration) at Anganwadi centres for Children below 6 years of age, Pregnant Women, Lactating Mothers.

The objectives of Poshan 2.0 are as follows:

- To contribute to human capital development of the country;
- Address challenges of malnutrition;
- Promote nutrition awareness and good eating habits for sustainable health and well-being; and
- Address nutrition related deficiencies through key strategies.

Steps have been taken to improve nutritional quality and testing in accredited labs, strengthen delivery and leverage technology under Poshan Tracker to improve governance. States/UTs have been advised to promote use of AYUSH systems for prevention of malnutrition and related diseases. A programme to support development of Poshan Vatikas at Anganwadi Centres to meet dietary diversity gap leveraging traditional knowledge in nutritional practices has also been taken up.

For ensuring effective implementation and smooth operationalisation of Poshan 2.0, the Ministry has issued Operational Guidelines on 01.08.2022 to all the 36 States/UTs covering all the districts of the country. Moreover, streamlined guidelines were also issued for transparency and accountability in delivery of supplementary nutrition and to track nutritional outcomes on 13.01.2021.

IT systems have been leveraged to strengthen and bring about transparency in nutrition delivery support systems at the Anganwadi centres. The 'Poshan Tracker' application was rolled out on 1st March, 2021 as an important governance tool. The Poshan Tracker facilitates monitoring and tracking of all AWCs, AWWs and beneficiaries on defined indicators. Technology under Poshan Tracker is being leveraged for dynamic identification of stunting, wasting, under-weight prevalence among children.

Further, under Poshan 2.0, for the first time, a digital revolution was ushered in when the Anganwadi Centres were equipped with mobile devices. The mobile application has also facilitated digitization and automation of physical registers used by AWWs that helps in improving their quality of work. Poshan Tracker is available in 22 languages including Hindi and English. It has facilitated near real time data collection for Anganwadi Services such as, daily attendance, ECCE, Provision of Hot Cooked Meal (HCM)/Take Home Ration (THR-not raw ration), Growth Measurement etc. The App also offers counselling videos on key behaviours and services which help disseminate messages on birth preparedness, delivery, post-natal care, breastfeeding and complementary feeding. States/UTs can see their progress on various indicators on the Poshan Tracker dashboard on monthly basis and can make course correction wherever required.

A third-party evaluation of all Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Women and Child Development Sector including Anganwadi services, POSHAN Abhiyaan was conducted by NITI Aayog in 2020. The evaluation found the relevance of Anganwadi Services scheme & POSHAN Abhiyaan satisfactory.

In addition, Ministry of Women & Child Development and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare jointly released the protocol for Community Management of Malnutrition (CMAM) to prevent and treat severe acute malnutrition children thereby reducing associated morbidity and mortality. The community-based approach involves timely detection and screening of children with severe acute malnutrition in the community, management for those without medical complications with wholesome, local nutritious foods at home and supportive medical care. Those malnourished children, who have medical complications are referred for facility-based care.

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## Annexure – I

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) of LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 106 FOR 2.02.2024 REGARDING “INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES” ASKED BY SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT, M.P.

The State-wise number of beneficiaries of the scheme\*

State	Pregnant women and Lactating mothers	Children (0 - 5 years)	Children (5 - 6 years)	Adolescent Girls in Aspirational districts and North-East States
Andhra Pradesh	274208	1922373	247936	13726
Arunachal Pradesh	6878	66132	12932	15142
Assam	320934	2474937	506652	154220
Bihar	949526	7690423	1932384	237270
Chhattisgarh	398284	2004529	349072	124255
Goa	10973	54018	3619	
Gujarat	529521	2878927	416105	75073
Haryana	262826	1428567	309431	16669
Himachal Pradesh	85348	423556	68462	16855
Jharkhand	441913	2595871	404769	242839
Karnataka	568142	3090597	446338	1420
Kerala	286997	1680294	340318	18699
Madhya Pradesh	1063082	5663948	1108548	143230
Maharashtra	799675	5260557	1106808	114299
Manipur	19171	214665	52250	52343
Meghalaya	26149	325636	77956	56170
Mizoram	11132	92519	17894	23116
Nagaland	7581	86525	23596	27059
Odisha	579119	2988533	583216	297423
Punjab	228881	1152164	140610	29351
Rajasthan	678398	3569770	372520	43925
Sikkim	3837	26139	5308	9133
Tamil Nadu	634440	3180319	323462	41639
Telangana	353411	1757793	164965	32146
Tripura	39719	255825	55794	35068
Uttar Pradesh	3431899	17101678	2191331	240740
Uttarakhand	138558	625421	40869	73038
West Bengal	1178777	6525170	1313129	
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1759	10770	353	
Dadra & Nagar Haveli - Daman & Diu	8820	24227	1942	
Delhi	144219	557578	18405	
J&K	99665	620533	104158	19935
Ladakh	2051	14461	2369	
Lakshadweep	938	4163	39	
Puducherry	8690	29663	34	
UT-Chandigarh	7018	34329	6514	
Total	13602539	76432610	12750088	2154783

\* The data is taken from Poshan Tracker (December 2023)

## Annexure – II

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (b) of LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 106 FOR 2.02.2024 REGARDING “INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES” ASKED BY SHRI DILESHWAR KAMAIT, M.P.

In the 15th FC, Saksham Anganwadi, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganised under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0). The State-wise details of funds utilized under Saksham Anganwadi and POSHAN 2.0 till now is as follows:

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Rs. In lakhs			
		2021-22		2022-23	2023-24 (till Jan 2024)
		Fund Released	Fund Utilised	Fund Released	Fund Released
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	74460.38	74990.85	79210.34	53073.19
2	BIHAR	157443.07	160801.5	167871.47	113806.8
3	CHHATTISGARH	60673.15	52272.36	58909.3	49543.13
4	GOA	1083.56	1291.72	1452.6	837.994
5	GUJARAT	83985.65	75792.18	90097.17	100309.38
6	HARYANA	17303.35	14698.8	19521.36	17565.59
7	JHARKHAND	35297.77	18330.29	35733.95	46257.47
8	KARNATAKA	100370.19	98461.76	75118.35	73326.08
9	KERALA	38822.74	39797.9	44213.5	22174.92
10	MADHYA PRADESH	108546.91	107787.58	98501.92	99915.2
11	MAHARASHTRA	171338.93	160901.59	163377.2	116756.87
12	ODISHA	106598.46	96445.74	87506.99	59054.88
13	PUNJAB	38351.68	17793.83	7473.96	18642.65
14	RAJASTHAN	68264.63	77164.16	95301.83	70949.66
15	TAMIL NADU	65538.13	68127.94	74844.97	55109.09
16	TELANGANA	48232.68	47929.87	51474	11612.1
17	UTTAR PRADESH	240755.08	234191.44	268122.42	183233.88
18	WEST BENGAL	66835.22	137830.5	120031.77	94856.08
19	DELHI	13310.7	12552.28	18277	10383.04
20	PUDUCHERRY	277.8	612.87	0.75	405.8
21	HIMACHAL PRADESH	24798.74	25209.25	26051.03	17477.38
22	JAMMU & KASHMIR	40573.74	37918.293	47746.57	37233.13
23	UTTARAKHAND	35365.25	33602.58	34877.55	20752.56
24	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	1971.15	1333.23	431.68	661.83
25	CHANDIGARH	1532.18	2308.52	3309.9	854.75
26	D. & NAGAR HAVELI & DAMAN & DIU	933.39	838.79	579.95	578.46
27	LADAKH	1469.55	1467.45	1878.52	1736.92
28	LAKSHADWEEP	210.52	272.64	44.18	97.95
29	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	17082.84	14564.45	12934.21	11703.19
30	ASSAM	131989.88	143219.22	161876.99	144496.92
31	MANIPUR	22892.04	17728.41	11962.31	14167.12
32	MEGHALAYA	17332.82	17786.35	19170.27	10897.84
33	MIZORAM	5931.57	6196.87	4216.61	3534.73
34	NAGALAND	15980.27	16020.96	19633.32	17489.3
35	SIKKIM	2573.06	2459.08	1968.56	0
36	TRIPURA	18672.47	17165.52	14746.76	9742.23
	Total	1836799.55	1835866.77	1918469.3	1489238.11

\* Utilization not due for the year 2022-23 and 2023-24

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