

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1000
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2019

POSHAN ABHIYAAN

1000. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHN DEVARAYALU

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

- (a) the aims and objectives of Poshan Abhiyaan along with physical and other targets set under Poshan Abhiyaan, State wise;
- (b) the action plan that the Ministry has prepared to achieve the above targets and year by which Ministry is planning to achieve the same;
- (c) the anticipated expenditure involved to achieve the above targets and whether sufficient budget has been allocated in this year's budget; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMENT AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) The goal of Poshan Abhiyaan is to achieve improvement in nutritional status of Children (0-6 years) and Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) in a time bound manner in next three years period beginning 2017-18 with fixed targets as under:

S.No	Objective	Target
1.	Prevent and reduce Stunting in children (0- 6 years)	By 6% @ 2% p.a.
2.	Prevent and reduce under-nutrition (underweight prevalence) in children (0-6 years)	By 6% @ 2% p.a.
3.	Reduce the prevalence of anemia among young Children(6-59 months)	By 9% @ 3% p.a.
4.	Reduce the prevalence of anemia among Women and Adolescent Girls in the age group of 15-49 years.	By 9% @ 3% p.a.
5.	Reduce Low Birth Weight (LBW).	By 6% @ 2% p.a.

- (b): For achieving the above targets, Poshan Abhiyaan is to ensure convergence of all nutrition related schemes of the Ministry of Women and Child Development on the target population. This includes convergence of Anganwadi Services, Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, Scheme for Adolescent Girls of Ministry of Women & Child Development; Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY), National Health Mission (NHM) of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Swachh Bharat Mission of Ministry of Jal Shakti; Public Distribution System (PDS) of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (CAF&PD); Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) of Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) and other programmatic interventions of Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs. Convergence Action Plan guidelines in this regard have been issued to all the States/UTs and line Ministries.
- (c) & (d): The approved budget of Poshan Abhiyaan for a period of three years is Rs. 9046 crore. A sum of Rs. 3400 crore has been allocated for Poshan Abhiyaan for the year 2019-20, which is adequate to meet the anticipated expenditure.
