

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1102  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019**

**NFHS 2015-16**

**1102. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:**

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the National Family Health Survey 2015-16, Uttar Pradesh has 51 per cent full immunisation coverage for children as compared to 62 per cent in rest of India, if so, the possible reasons for this difference;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to take any special measures in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare conducted National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-4 (2015-16) and NFHS-3 (2005-06) wherein inter-alia information was collected on full immunization coverage for children of age 12-23 months.

As per the NFHS-4, the percentage of children (of age 12 to 23 months) who were fully immunized in Uttar Pradesh and India were 51.1 percentage and 62.0 percentage respectively. However, while comparing with NFHS-3, the percentage of children (of age 12 to 23 months) who were fully immunized in Uttar Pradesh and India were 23.0 percentage and 43.5 percentages respectively. The details are at Annexure.

The low coverage of Uttar Pradesh as per the National Family Health Survey 2015-16 is largely due to partially immunized children. The reasons for partial immunization are mainly awareness gap, migration of parents, service delivery gap/refusal and apprehension due to adverse events following immunization (AEFI) like fever, irritability etc.

(b) & (c): Immunization program in the country including in Uttar Pradesh is being strengthened by increasing awareness through enhanced Information Education and Communication (IEC) activities to make the immunization programme more successful.

Uttar Pradesh had conducted a special drive known as '**Mission Indradhanush**' in 6 phases across all the districts wherein a total of 1.76 crore of children and 49.04 lakh of pregnant women were vaccinated. Uttar Pradesh had also conducted '**Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan**' in 3387 villages across all the districts and '**Extended Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan**' in 5130 villages across all the districts.

<b>Percentage of Children age 12-23 months who received all basic vaccinations* (Fully Immunized) at any time before the survey</b>		
	<b>NFHS-3 (2005-06)</b>	<b>NFHS-4 (2015-16)</b>
India	43.5	62.0
Uttar Pradesh	23.0	51.1

\*BCG, measles, and three dose each of DPT and polio vaccine (excluding polio vaccine given at birth).