

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1020
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2020

SEX RATIO AT BIRTH

1020. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

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

- (a) whether there has been improvement in the Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) across the country, on account of the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Abhiyan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of districts with the most marked improvement in SRB across the country;
- (c) whether the Government has noticed any improvement in the literacy rate of girls as a result of this campaign; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the average female literacy rate before and after the implementation of the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Abhiyan, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (b) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme was launched during F.Y. 2014-15 with overall goal to celebrate the girl child and enable her education. Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) is showing improving trends and has increased from 918 to 931 at National level during the time period between F.Y. 2014-15 & 2018-19. Out of 640 districts (as per census 2011), 395 districts have shown improvement in SRB during this period, as per reports of Health Management Information System of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

(c) to (d) The literacy data in the country is collected through decennial census conducted by Registrar General of India. The female literacy rate in the age group of 7 and above as per last Census 2011 is 64.63 percent. Gross Enrolment Ratio of girls at secondary education level was 80.51% in 2017-18 (provisional) as per Unified District Information System for Education (U-DISE).
