

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4493
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2020

POSHANON WHEELS

4493. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is intending to implement “Poshan on Wheels”, Mobile Anganwadi Vans which will carry nutritious food for the infants, expectant and lactating mothers especially at the construction sites endeavoured by the Chandigarh Union Territory administration, across the country, extending the mandate to deliver nutritious food to women and children in remote areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has proposed the public private partnership initiative with institutions like AkshayPatra that serves 1.8 million children in 16,856 schools across 12 States on every school day, by employing data analytics, and Internet of Things to streamline effective delivery of meals so that intended beneficiaries of Mobile Anganwadis are catered effectively and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether any such proposals are under perusal by the Government and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) At present there is no proposal to implement “Poshan on Wheels” by the Ministry of Women and Child Development. Two Mobile Anganwadi Vans – “*POSHAN on Wheels*” were launched by Union Territory of Chandigarh on 28.11.2019 under the Innovation component of POSHAN Abhiyaan to cover the uncovered marginalized population on the construction sites. States/UTs are at their liberty to choose any activities under Innovation component of POSHAN Abhiyaan as per the guidelines.
