

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2876
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH MARCH, 2021**

INCREASE IN POPULATION

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified States where the increase in birth rate has contributed to the population explosion in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof State/UT-wise and the specific initiatives taken by the Government to address the factors contributing to increase in population in such State/UT's;
- (c) the other measures taken by the Government to reduce birth rate in these States; and
- (d) the outcome of the steps taken by the Government in these States in order to lower birth rate in the country?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
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(a) to (c) As per the Sample Registration System 2018 (SRS 2018) report, States/UTs like Bihar (26.2), Uttar Pradesh (25.6), Madhya Pradesh (24.6), Rajasthan (24.0), Jharkhand (22.6), Chhattisgarh (22.5), Meghalaya (22.1), Assam (21.1), Haryana (20.3), and Dadra & Nagar Haveli (22.9) are having birth rate higher than the national crude birth rate of 20.0 per 1,000 live births. However, State/UT wise yearly details of Crude Birth Rate can be accessed from https://censusindia.gov.in/vital_statistics/SRS_Bulletins/Bulletins.html.

The Government of India has implemented the National Family Planning Program which provides voluntary and informed choices to the beneficiaries through a target free approach with the objective of checking population increase in the country.

Various initiatives have been taken under the National Family Planning Program providing broad range of services and some of them are as follows:

- **New Contraceptive Choices:** The current contraceptive basket comprising of Condoms, combined oral contraceptive pills, emergency contraceptive pills, Intrauterine contraceptive uterine device (IUCD) and sterilization has been expanded with inclusion of two new contraceptives-Injectable contraceptive (Antara programme) and Centchroman (Chhaya).

- **Post-partum Intrauterine contraceptive device (PPIUCD) incentive scheme** under which PPIUCD services are provided post-delivery.
- **Compensation scheme for sterilization acceptors** which provides compensation for loss of wages to the beneficiary and also to the service provider and team for conducting sterilization.
- **National Family Planning Indemnity Scheme (NFPIS)** under which clients are compensated in the eventualities of death, complication and failure following sterilization operations.
- **Family Planning Logistics Management Information System (FP-LMIS):** dedicated software has been launched to ensure smooth forecasting, procurement and distribution of family planning commodities across all the levels of health facilities.
- **Mission Parivar Vikas:** Mission Parivar Vikas has been introduced in 2016 for substantially increasing access to contraceptives and family planning services in seven high focus States having Total Fertility Rate more than the all-India average – viz. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Assam.
- **Scheme for Home Delivery of contraceptives by ASHAs** at doorstep of beneficiaries has been taken up.
- Scheme for provision of **Pregnancy Testing Kits** in the drug kits of ASHA for use in communities.

(d) As per the Sample Registration System, the Crude Birth Rate at all India level has declined from 24.8 in 2005 to 20.0 in 2018 whereas the Total Fertility Rate at all India level has declined from 2.9 in 2005 to 2.2 in 2018.