

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3977
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2021**

MISSION INDRADHANUSH

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SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:**

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

- (a) the salient features of the Mission Indradhanush including funds sanctioned, allocated and utilised under this Mission along with the percentage of children covered thereunder so far in the country;
- (b) the details of vaccines being provided, targets set and achieved so far and steps taken to reach remote and distantly located areas under this Mission, State/ UT-wise specially in Assam;
- (c) whether the Government plans to extend the coverage of beneficiaries or the list of diseases under the Mission and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is fact that the Government has rolled out the Intensified Mission Indradhanush 3.0 scheme to cover children and pregnant women who missed routine immunization during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether it is also a fact that the said campaign is being carried out in 250 pre-identified districts/urban areas in 29 States and UTs and if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to make the mission successful?

ANSWER

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

(a): Mission Indradhanush (MI) is drive to intensify the immunization in pockets of low immunization coverage and hard to reach areas where the proportion of unvaccinated and partially vaccinated children is highest.

Funds allocated under Routine Immunization are utilized for carrying out activities under Mission Indradhanush and there is no separate fund allocation. Under the various phases of Mission Indradhanush, 3.8 crore children have been vaccinated so far in the country.

(b): All vaccines being provided under Universal Immunization Programme are also administered under Mission Indradhanush. These vaccines prevent the following diseases:

(1) Tuberculosis, (2) Polio (3) Hepatitis B (4) Diphtheria (5) Pertussis (6) Tetanus (7) Measles (8) Rubella (9) Rota virus (10) Haemophilus Influenzae type b (11) Japanese Encephalitis (sub national) and (12) Pneumococcal Pneumonia (sub national).

Mission Indradhanush targets pockets of low immunization coverage and hard to reach areas where the proportion of unvaccinated and partially vaccinated children is highest.

Under the various phases of Mission Indradhanush, 3.8 crore children and 95.8 lakh pregnant women have been vaccinated so far, across the country including Assam. In Assam, 4.8 lakh children and 1.19 lakh pregnant women have been vaccinated so far.

(c): Under Mission Indradhanush, all vaccines under Universal Immunization Program (UIP) are provided to eligible children and pregnant women who would have missed any doses.

(d) to (f): Yes Government has rolled out Intensified Mission Indradhanush 3.0 in 250 identified districts/urban areas in 29 States and UTs to cover children and pregnant women who might have missed routine immunization. Interventions like head count survey, robust microplanning, social mobilization, community engagement etc. have been emphasized while ensuring adherence to COVID appropriate behaviour. Technical assistance, capacity building and guidance is being provided along with regular review and concurrent monitoring to improve the coverage and make the mission successful.