

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1936
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30th JULY, 2021**

“RASHTRIYA KISHOR SWASTHYA KARYAKRAM”

1936. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

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

- a) The objectives of the Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram;
- b) Whether students are screened in school under this programme; and
- c) Whether the benefits of this programme is also being provided to adolescents in the tribal areas of Gujarat?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

- a) The objectives of Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram are as follows-
 - (i) Increase the availability and access to information about adolescent health
 - (ii) Increase accessibility and utilization of quality counselling and health services for the adolescents
 - (iii) Forge multi-sectoral and intra departmental partnerships to create safe and supportive environment for adolescents
 - (iv) Institute special strategies to target adolescents residing in geographic pockets which make them vulnerable to health and nutrition risks, such as tribal and out of school adolescents
- b) Screening of students in the schools is carried out under Bal Swasthya Karyakram.
- c) Yes Sir, Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram covers adolescents universally, i.e. males and females; urban and rural; in school and out of school; married and unmarried; and vulnerable and under-served including the adolescents in the tribal areas of Gujarat.