

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.729
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2021**

HEALTH CRISIS DUE TO INCREASING POPULATION

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

- (a) whether the health related crisis/problems can be attributed to the rapid increase in the population in the country;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to control the population in the country;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of the fact that near about 25 crore people are living in the country illegally and are burdening our health resources meant for the citizens in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
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(a) & (b): There is no available data to show a direct relationship between health related crisis/problems and population increase in the country.

A National Population Policy was formulated in the year 2000 with the long term objective of attaining Population Stabilization by 2045. Various Initiatives have been taken under the National Family Planning Programme providing broad range of services mentioned as given below.

1. **Mission Parivar Vikas** has been introduced for substantially increasing access to contraceptives and family planning services in 146 high fertility districts in 7 high focus states.
2. **Expanded 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 new contraceptives namely Injectable contraceptive (Antara programme) and Centchroman (Chhaya).

3. **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 sterilisation.
4. **Post-partum Intrauterine contraceptive device (PPIUCD) incentive scheme** under which PPIUCD services are provided post delivery.
5. **Scheme for Home Delivery of contraceptives by ASHAs** at doorstep of beneficiaries has been taken up.
6. Scheme for provision of **Pregnancy Testing Kits** in the drug kits of ASHA for use in communities.
7. **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.

(c): No.

(d): Does not arise