GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.822 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2021

STATUS OF MALNUTRITION

822 SHRIMATI RAMA DEVI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has reviewed the status of malnutrition existing throughout the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) As per the report of the National Family Health Survey (NFHS) -4, 2015-16, 35.7% children under 5 years of age are underweight and 38.4% are stunted indicating a reduction from the previous data captured in NFHS -3, 2005-06, which reported 42.5% children under 5 years of age as underweight and 48% stunted.

However, the recently released report of NFHS-5 (2019-20) is available only for 22 States/UTs. The State/UT wise details of stunting, wasting and underweight among children under 5 years as per NFHS-4 & NFHS-5 is annexed.

Annexure

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.822 for 23.07.2021 by Shrimati Rama Devi regarding Status of Malnutrition.

S.No.	State/UT	Stunting		Wasting		Underweight	
		NFHS-4	NFHS-5	NFHS-4	NFHS-5	NFHS-4	NFHS-5
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	23.3	22.5	18.9	16	21.6	23.7
2	Andhra Pradesh	31.4	31.2	17.2	16.1	31.9	29.6
3	Arunachal Pradesh	29.4	-	17.3	-	19.4	-
4	Assam	36.4	35.3	17	21.7	29.8	32.8
5	Bihar	48.3	42.9	20.8	22.9	43.9	41
6	Chandigarh	28.7	-	10.9	-	24.5	-
7	Chhattisgarh	37.6	-	23.1	-	37.7	-
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	37.2	39.4	26.7	21.6	35.8	38.7
9	Delhi	31.9	-	15.9	-	27	-
10	Goa	20.1	25.8	21.9	19.1	23.8	24
11	Gujarat	38.5	39	26.4	25.1	39.3	39.7
12	Haryana	34	-	21.2	-	29.4	-
13	Himachal Pradesh	26.3	30.8	13.7	17.4	21.2	25.5
14	Jammu & Kashmir	27.4	26.9	12.2	19	16.6	21
15	Jharkhand	45.3	-	29	-	47.8	-
16	Karnataka	36.2	35.4	26.1	19.5	35.2	32.9
17	Kerala	19.7	23.4	15.7	15.8	16.1	19.7
18	Ladakh	26.8	32	13.7	17.4	23.6	25.8
19	Lakshadweep	30.9	30.5	9.3	17.5	18.7	20.4
20	Madhya Pradesh	42	-	25.8	-	42.8	-
21	Maharashtra	34.4	35.2	25.6	25.6	36	36.1
22	Manipur	43.8	46.5	15.3	12.1	28.9	26.6
23	Meghalaya	28.9	23.4	6.8	9.9	13.8	13.3
24	Mizoram	28.1	28.9	6.1	9.8	12	12.7
25	Nagaland	28.6	32.7	11.3	19.1	16.7	26.9
26	Orissa	34.1	-	20.4	-	34.4	-
27	Puducherry	24	-	23.8	-	22.7	-
28	Punjab	25.7	-	15.6	-	21.6	-
29	Rajasthan	39.1	-	23	-	36.7	-
30	Sikkim	29.6	22.3	14.2	13.7	14.2	13.1
31	Tamil Nadu	27.1	-	19.7	-	23.8	-
32	Telangana	28	33.1	18.1	21.7	28.4	31.8
33	Tripura	24.3	32.3	16.8	18.2	24.1	25.6
34	Uttar Pradesh	46.3	-	17.9	-	39.5	-
35	Uttarakhand	33.5	-	19.5	-	26.6	-
36	West Bengal	32.5	33.8	20.3	20.3	31.6	32.2