

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

**LOKSABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3285
ANSWERED ON 05TH AUGUST, 2022**

POPULATION CONTROL

**3285. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU:
SHRI VIJAYAKUMAR (ALIAS) VIJAY VASANTH:
SHRI MALOOK NAGAR:**

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether it is a fact that India is likely to replace China as the most populous country in the world as per the latest population projections made by the United Nations;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps proposed by the Government to control the population explosion in the country;
- (d) whether any steps are being taken by the Government to enforce one or two child norms strictly to control population explosion;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (f) As per report of the Technical Group on Population Projections (TGPP) July 2020, chaired by Registrar General of India (RGI), the projected population of the country, in the year 2022 is 137.55crore.

The Government accords top priority to the National Family Planning Program, which is guided by the tenets of the National Population Policy 2000 and National Health Policy 2017, to address the unmet need for Family Planning.

Steps taken by the Government:

1. **Expanded Contraceptive Choices**
2. **Mission Parivar Vikas (MPV)** is implemented in 13 states for substantially increasing access to contraceptives and family planning services.
3. **Compensation scheme for sterilization acceptors** which provides compensation for loss of wages to the beneficiary and also to the service provider team for conducting sterilization.

4. **Post-partum Intra-uterine contraceptive device (PPIUCD)** services are provided post delivery.
5. Scheme for **Home Delivery of contraceptives** by ASHAs at doorstep of beneficiaries.
6. **Family Planning Logistics Management Information System (FP-LMIS)** to ensure last mile availability of family planning commodities across all the levels of health facilities.

The Government has been successful in reining in the growth of population, and the following progress has been achieved:

- The Total Fertility Rate (TFR) declined to **2.0 in 2019-21** (NFHS 5) which is below replacement level.
- **31 out of 36 States/ UTs** have achieved replacement level fertility (NFHS 5).
- The **Modern Contraceptive usage** has increased to **56.5%** (NFHS 5).
- **The Unmet Need for Family Planning** has decreased to **9.4%** (NFHS 5).
- The **Crude Birth Rate (CBR)** has declined to **19.7** in 2019 (SRS).
