

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.989**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2022

**MALNUTRITION IN SCHEDULE TRIBE CONCENTRATED AREAS**

989: DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of children suffering from malnutrition is very high especially in tribal and Scheduled tribe concentrated areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the region-wise and State-wise number of children suffering from malnutrition at present; and
- (d) the funds allocated to the States under this head during each of the last three years?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
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(a) to (c) Data on nutrition indicators is covered under the National Family Health Surveys conducted by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. The National Family Health Survey-4 for all States/UTs was released in 2015-16 and Survey-5 (NFHS-5) in 2019-20. NFHS reports do not provide separate area-wise estimations for malnutrition among children with respect to tribal and Scheduled Tribe populations. However malnutrition indicators are provided for Scheduled Tribes (STs). As per reports of NFHS-5, prevalence of stunting in children under (5) years of age in STs has reduced from 43.8 in NFHS-4 to 40.9 in NFHS -5. Prevalence of wasted children under (5) years of age in STs has reduced from 27.4 in NFHS-4 to 23.2 in NFHS -5 and Prevalence of underweight children under (5) years of age in STs has reduced from 45.3 in NFHS-4 to 39.5 in NFHS -5.

The State/UT wise prevalence of Stunting, Underweight and Wasting in children as reported in NFHS-4 and NFHS-5 is at **Annexure-I**.

(d) To improve nutritional outcomes for pregnant women and lactating mothers, children and adolescents, the Poshan Abhiyaan, an important flagship program was launched by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018, leveraging technology, a targeted approach and convergence. The Abhiyaan has sought to achieve improvement in nutritional status of Children from 0-6 years, Adolescent Girls and Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers in a time bound manner by adopting a synergised and result-oriented approach. It is being implemented in all States/UTs. Funds released to States/UTs under Supplementary Nutrition Programme from the year 2019-2020 to 2021-2022 is at **Annexure-II**.

**Statement referred to in reply to Part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.989 for 22.07.2022 by Dr. NISHIKANT DUBEY regarding Malnutrition in schedule tribe concentrated areas**

**State/UT wise prevalence of Stunting, Wasting and Underweight in children as reported in NFHS-4 and NFHS-5**

S. No.	State	Stunted (under 5 yrs)		Underweight (under 5 yrs)		Wasting (under 5 yrs)	
		NFHS-4 (2015-16)	NFHS-5 (2019-21)	NFHS-4 (2015-16)	NFHS-5 (2019-21)	NFHS-4 (2015-16)	NFHS-5 (2019-21)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	23.3	22.5	21.6	23.7	18.9	16
2.	Andhra Pradesh	31.4	31.2	31.9	29.6	17.2	16.1
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	29.4	28	19.5	15.4	17.3	13.1
4.	Assam	36.4	35.3	29.8	32.8	17	21.7
5.	Bihar	48.3	42.9	43.9	41	20.8	22.9
6.	Chandigarh	28.7	25.3	24.5	20.6	10.9	8.4
7.	Chhattisgarh	37.6	34.6	37.7	31.3	23.1	18.9
8.	Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	37.2	39.4	35.8	38.7	26.7	21.6
9.	Delhi	32.3	30.9	27	21.8	17.1	11.2
10.	Goa	20.1	25.8	23.8	24	21.9	19.1
11.	Gujarat	38.5	39	39.3	39.7	26.4	25.1
12.	Haryana	34	27.5	29.4	21.5	21.2	11.5
13.	Himachal Pradesh	26.3	30.8	21.2	25.5	13.7	17.4
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	27.4	26.9	16.6	21	12.1	19
15.	Jharkhand	45.3	39.6	47.8	39.4	29	22.4
16.	Karnataka	36.2	35.4	35.2	32.9	26.1	19.5
17.	Kerala	19.7	23.4	16.1	19.7	15.7	15.8
18.	Lakshadweep	27.0	32.0	23.4	25.8	13.8	17.4
19.	Ladakh	30.9	30.5	18.7	20.4	9.3	17.5
20.	Madhya Pradesh	42.0	35.7	42.8	33.0	25.8	19.0
21.	Maharashtra	34.4	35.2	36.0	36.1	25.6	25.6
22.	Manipur	28.9	23.4	13.8	13.3	6.8	9.9
23.	Meghalaya	43.8	46.5	29.0	26.6	15.3	12.1
24.	Mizoram	28	28.9	11.9	12.7	6.1	9.8
25.	Nagaland	28.6	32.7	16.38	26.9	11.2	19.1
26.	Odisha	34.1	31.0	34.4	29.7	20.4	18.1
28.	Puducherry	23.7	20.0	22.0	15.3	23.6	12.4
29.	Punjab	25.7	24.5	21.6	16.9	15.6	10.6
30.	Rajasthan	39.1	31.8	36.7	27.6	23.0	16.8
30.	Sikkim	29.6	22.3	14.2	13.1	14.2	13.7
31.	Tamil Nadu	27.1	25.0	23.8	22.0	19.7	14.6
32.	Telangana	28.1	33.1	28.5	31.8	18.0	21.7
33.	Tripura	24.3	32.3	24.1	25.6	16.8	18.2
34.	Uttar Pradesh	46.3	39.7	39.5	32.1	17.9	17.3
35.	Uttarakhand	33.5	27.0	26.6	21.0	19.5	13.2
36.	West Bengal	32.5	33.8	31.5	32.2	20.3	20.3
	<b>India</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>19.3</b>

**Annexure-II**

**Statement referred to in reply to Part (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. for 22.07.2022 by Dr. NISHIKANT DUBEY regarding Malnutrition in schedule tribe concentrated areas.**

The details of funds released to States/UTs under Supplementary Nutrition Programme from 2019-2020 to 2021-2022 are as follows:

Sl.No.	STATE	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	32726.24	37135.93	38268.02
2	BIHAR	76100.71	85607.81	88368.99
3	CHHATTISGARH	20930.7	24593.07	26771.73
4	GOA	826.38	858.8	440.88
5	GUJARAT	33671.97	33671.97	50526.47
6	HARYANA	4205.09	5919.04	5919.04
7	HIMACHAL PRADESH	7655.5	6919.79	5766.4
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	2341.36	4629.5	3458.83
9	JHARKHAND	22959.33	26033.9	17595.38
10	KARNATAKA	42657.55	41000	58102.1
11	KERALA	14085.21	13049.61	19083.19
12	MADHYA PRADESH	71534.93	74405.7	55338.77
13	MAHARASHTRA	78949.43	66330.71	105239.33
14	ODISHA	49466.82	50299.05	49454.24
15	PUNJAB	5346.54	4341.15	4530.36
16	RAJASTHAN	29913.62	34894.46	31399.25
17	TAMIL NADU	37341.72	39022.39	36337.1
18	TELANGANA	22519.69	21522.15	24680.58
19	UTTAR PRADESH	148686.46	139063.6	139063.6
20	UTTARAKHAND	13308.15	14629.43	15276.48
21	WEST BENGAL	59862	65848.2	32924.1
22	DELHI	4425.64	6539.81	7825.24
23	PUDUCHERRY	0	0	0
24	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	327.44	406.43	203.22
25	CHANDIGARH	705.52	633.26	702.83
26	DADRA NAGAR HAVELI	185.75	410.11	410.11
27	DAMAN & DIU	139.88		
27	LADAKH	0	554.23	277.12
28	LAKSHADWEEP	55.14	90.99	146.33
29	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	2332.96	3708.17	4725.67
30	ASSAM	49541.69	54495.86	69759.55
31	MANIPUR	4980.21	10697.3	8588.77

32	MEGHALAYA	11582.97	11648.95	11051.14
33	MIZORAM	2041.49	2288.18	1862.77
34	NAGALAND	7390.27	8232.9	8232.75
35	SIKKIM	291.42	336.42	303.22
36	TRIPURA	7028.04	6503.02	6883.37
	Grand Total	866117.82	896321.89	929516.93