

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1998
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02ND AUGUST 2024**

UNIVERSAL IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMME

**1998. SHRI C N ANNADURAI:
DR. D RAVI KUMAR:
DR. THIRUMAAVALAVAN THOLKAPPIYAN:
SHRI SELVAM G:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken steps to enhance immunization coverage for all vaccines provided under the Universal Immunization Programme and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the total number of beneficiaries benefitted under Intensified Mission Indradhanush 5.0 (IMI 5.0) campaign in the country including Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether the Government has taken steps to reach remote and distantly located areas under IMI 5.0 and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government plans to extend the coverage of beneficiaries or the list of diseases under the IMI 5.0 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to provide vaccination to all children and pregnant women under IMI 5.0?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

- (a) The Government has taken steps to enhance immunization coverage for all vaccines provided under Universal Immunization program. Mission Indradhanush(MI) and Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) is the special campaign undertaken to increase the immunization coverage in the country.

(b) In Intensified Mission Indradhanush 5.0 (IMI 5.0) campaign, one crore fifty six thousand six hundred and forty six (1,00,56,646) children and nineteen lakhs ninety six thousand five hundred and fifty one (19,96,551) pregnant women were vaccinated in the country including Tamil Nadu.

(c) The Government has taken steps to reach remote and distantly located areas under IMI 5.0.

Immunization sessions have been done in hard-to-reach areas, remote and distantly located areas, underserved areas and areas with low immunization coverage.

(d) The Government has covered beneficiaries, including children and pregnant women in IMI 5.0. All vaccines given under the Universal Immunization Programme have been included in IMI 5.0.

(e) Immunization sessions were held in all days during the time of IMI 5.0. To promote Immunization, various Information, Education and Communication (IEC) interventions including Print and Social media campaigns to generate awareness in the community were done.
