

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 2031
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2024

SAKSHAM ANGANWADI AND POSHAN 2.0

2031 SHRI SURESH KUMAR SHETKAR:

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

- (a) whether various schemes of the Ministry for maternal and child care are proposed likely to be brought under one comprehensive programme for synergy in implementation and also expedite upgradation of anganwadi centres under "Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0" for improved nutrition delivery, early childhood care and development;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the progress made in this regard till date along with the list of beneficiaries, State wise hospital/anganwadi centre-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to achieve the goal of Viksit Bharat 2047 under the said scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c) In the 15th Finance Commission, components of nutritional support for children below the age of 6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers, Adolescent Girls (14-18 years in all aspirational districts and all districts of North Eastern States); Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) [3-6 years age]; Anganwadi infrastructure including modern, upgraded Saksham Anganwadi have been reorganised under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0) for effective implementation of the scheme and for better nutritional delivery to end beneficiaries. Mission Poshan 2.0 seeks to address the challenge of malnutrition through improved nutrition content and delivery. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, where the responsibility of implementation and administration of the scheme is under the ambit of States/UTs.

Under Mission Poshan 2.0, 2 lakh Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) @ 40,000 AWCs per year are to be upgraded as Saksham Anganwadis for improved nutrition delivery and for early childhood care and education (ECCE). Saksham Anganwadis are to be provided with infrastructure better than the conventional Anganwadi Centres including internet/Wi-Fi connectivity through Bharat Net (wherever possible), LED screens, water purifier/installation of RO Machine, Poshan Vatika, ECCE books and learning material etc. A total of 92108 AWCs have been approved for upgradation to Saksham AWCs across the country. The State wise year wise list of Anganwadi Centres approved for upgradation into Saksham Anganwadi is placed at **Annexure I**. In addition to this, State wise list of beneficiaries registered under the Mission Saksham

Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 as per Poshan Tracker data as on 30.06.2024 is placed at **Annexure II**.

In order to fulfil the aim of Viksit Bharat 2047, under Mission Poshan 2.0 a strategic shift has been made to reduce malnutrition and for improved health, wellness and immunity through community engagement, outreach, behavioural change, and advocacy. The scheme focuses on Maternal Nutrition, Infant and Young Child Feeding Norms, treatment of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM)/ Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) and wellness through AYUSH practices to reduce wasting, underweight prevalence, stunting and anaemia.

Under this scheme, Supplementary Nutrition is provided in accordance with the nutrition norms contained in Schedule-II of the National Food Security Act, 2013. To address the challenge of malnutrition more effectively, these nutrition norms have been revised in January, 2023. The old norms were largely calorie-specific; however, the revised norms are more comprehensive and balanced in terms of both quantity and quality of supplementary nutrition based on the principles of diet diversity that provides quality protein, healthy fats and micronutrients.

Under Mission Poshan 2.0, one of the major activities is Community Mobilization and Awareness Advocacy leading to Jan Andolan to educate the people on nutritional aspects. State and UTs are conducting and reporting regular sensitisation activities under community engagement programmes during Poshan Maahs and Poshan Pakhwadas celebrated in the months of September and March-April respectively. Community Based Events (CBEs) have served as a significant strategy in changing nutrition practices and all Anganwadi workers are required to conduct two Community Based Events every month.

Ministry of Women & Child Development and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare have jointly released the protocol for Community Management of Malnutrition (CMAM) to prevent and treat severe acute malnutrition in children and for reducing associated morbidity and mortality.

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) is implementing Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAH + N) strategy under National Health Mission (NHM) to improve maternal and child health outcomes based on the Annual Program Implementation Plan (APIP) submitted by States / UTs.

Annexure I

Statement referred to in Part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No.2031 for answer on 02.08.2024 regarding Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0

Year wise statement indicating State wise detail of funds allocated for upgradation to Saksham Anganwadi Centres across the country

State/UT	No. of AWCs approved for upgradation during FY 2022-23	Fund allocated during FY 2022-23 (Rs. in Lakh)	No. of AWCs approved for upgradation during FY 2023-24	Fund allocated during FY 2023-24 (Rs. in Lakh)	Total No. of AWCs approved for upgradation	Total Fund allocated (Rs. in Lakh)
Andhra Pradesh	1105	525.58	1763	1057.8	2868	1583.38
Bihar	3566	1697.77	3550	2130	7116	3827.77
Chhattisgarh	4750	1957.92	1740	1044	6490	3001.92
Gujarat	1250	750.00	0	0	1250	750.00
Haryana	10	3.56	0	0	10	3.56
Himachal Pradesh	100	72.86	25	22.5	125	95.36
Jammu & Kashmir	86	69.66	50	45	136	114.66
Jharkhand	6850	3028.88	0	0	6850	3028.88
Karnataka	100	47.39	178	106.8	278	154.19
Kerala	250	116.12	1710	1026	1960	1142.12
Madhya Pradesh	2220	1305.85	9486	5691.6	11706	6997.45
Maharashtra	1150	520.47	589	353.4	1739	873.87
Odisha	6000	2920.92	1084	650.4	7084	3571.32
Punjab	100	56.88	0	0	100	56.88
Rajasthan	213	102.93	340	204	553	306.93
Tamil Nadu	800	395.76	5590	3354	6390	3749.76
Telangana	500	278.16	3529	2117.4	4029	2395.56
Uttar Pradesh	2349	1015.80	17845	10707	20194	11722.80
Uttarakhand	350	306.04	213	191.7	563	497.74
West Bengal	4750	2308.19	609	365.4	5359	2673.59
Arunachal Pradesh	100	71.51	0	0	100	71.51
Assam	3963	3285.58	815	733.5	4778	4019.08
Manipur	30	20.25	0	0	30	20.25
Meghalaya	100	68.90	8	7.2	108	76.10
Mizoram	100	64.13	988	889.2	1088	953.33
Nagaland	100	72.14	49	44.1	149	116.24
Sikkim	100	64.13	335	301.5	435	365.63
Tripura	200	146.25	245	220.5	445	366.75
Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	86	86	86	86.00
Goa	0	0	24	14.4	24	14.40
Puducherry	0	0	65	39	65	39.00
Total	41192	21273.63	50916	31402.4	92108	52676.03

Annexure II

Statement referred to in Part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No.2031 for answer on 02.08.2024 regarding Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0

State-Wise number of beneficiaries registered under the Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 as per Poshan Tracker data as on 30.06.2024

S.No	Name of State/UT	Number of Beneficiaries
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12905
2.	Andhra Pradesh	3272799
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	98460
4.	Assam	3336585
5.	Bihar	10923272
6.	Chhattisgarh	2714583
7.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli - Daman & Diu	39772
8.	Delhi	688836
9.	Goa	57683
10.	Gujarat	3676203
11.	Haryana	2009647
12.	Himachal Pradesh	581853
13.	J&K	838143
14.	Jharkhand	3464451
15.	Karnataka	3928840
16.	Kerala	2188686
17.	Ladakh	18481
18.	Lakshadweep	4514
19.	Madhya Pradesh	7684764
20.	Maharashtra	7011640
21.	Manipur	324410
22.	Meghalaya	438884
23.	Mizoram	138669
24.	Nagaland	136165
25.	Odisha	4246696
26.	Puducherry	36344
27.	Punjab	1600841
28.	Rajasthan	4450703
29.	Sikkim	42025
30.	Tamil Nadu	4066408
31.	Telangana	2080636
32.	Tripura	365995
33.	UT-Chandigarh	44220
34.	Uttar Pradesh	22554563
35.	Uttarakhand	845448
36.	West Bengal	8710855
	Total	10,26,34,979
