

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3269
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2025

SAKSHAM ANGANWADI

3269. SHRI G M HARISH BALAYOGI:

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

- (a) the number of Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) approved for upgradation, actually upgraded and operational into Saksham Anganwadis in Andhra Pradesh, during the last three years, district-wise;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated, released, and utilized for the upgradation of AWCs in Andhra Pradesh, during the said period, district-wise;
- (c) the number of Anganwadi workers, including State Level Master Trainers, who have been upskilled or trained under the scheme in Andhra Pradesh, during the said period, district-wise;
- (d) the number of children, pregnant women and lactating mothers currently benefiting from the upgraded AECs in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;
- (e) the current vacancy status of Anganwadi workers in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise; and
- (f) whether any delays or challenges have been faced in the upgradation process of AWCs, if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) to (f) During the 15th Finance Commission cycle, 2 lakh Government owned Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) @ 40,000 AWCs per year are strengthened and upgraded as Saksham Anganwadis for improved nutrition delivery and for early childhood care and development under Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0. Saksham Anganwadis are equipped with infrastructure better than the conventional Anganwadi Centres by providing LED screens, water purifier/installation of RO Machine, Poshan Vatika, ECCE and BALA Paintings. Prerequisites for an Anganwadi Centre to be considered for upgradation to Saksham Anganwadi Centre includes Government owned building, availability of Electricity/power supply, drinking water facility, functional toilet and kitchen.

As on date, a total of 2 Lakh AWCs have been approved for upgradation as Saksham AWCs including 9958 AWCs in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The district wise details of approved AWCs for upgradation to Saksham AWCs in the State of Andhra Pradesh allocated are placed at Annexure. Funds amounting to Rs. 59.75 Crore have been allocated to the State for upgradation out of which Rs. 5.25 Crore has been released as on date.

As on 22nd July 2025, a total of 2050 State Level Master Trainers (CDPOs, Supervisors and Additional Resource Persons) and 53,321 Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) have been trained under the Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi (PBPB) initiative in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Details of children, pregnant women and lactating mothers currently benefiting from the AWCs in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise are available on Poshna Tracker public dashboard and can be accessed at <https://www.poshantracker.in/statistics>.

At present, as informed by the State of Andhra Pradesh, 1025 positions of AWWs are vacant in the State.

Statement referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (f) of Lok Sabha Un-Starred Question No. 3269 to be answered on 08.08.2025 regarding “Saksham Anganwadi”

District wise numbers of sanctioned AWCs for upgradation to Saksham Anganwadi Centres in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Sr.No.	Districts	Total
1	Anantapuram	185
2	Alluri Sitarama Raju (Asr)	181
3	Annamayya	174
4	Bapatla	261
5	Chittoor	814
6	East Godavari	704
7	Eluru	855
8	Guntur	204
9	Kakinada	488
10	Konaseema	340
11	Krishna	743
12	Kurnool	146
13	Nandyal	101
14	Ntr	440
15	Pvp Manyam	516
16	Palnadu	67
17	Prakasam	242
18	Spsr Nellore	401
19	Sri Sathya Sai	154
20	Srikakulam	153
21	Tirupati	475
22	West Godavari	489
23	Ysr Kadapa	720
24	Vishakhapatnam	400
25	Vizianagaram	400
26	Kadapa	305
	Total	9958

