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MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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SCHEMES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

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

- (a) whether women and children in Badaun district of Uttar Pradesh have to face numerous challenges related to education, nutrition, health, child protection/child labour prevention, as reflected in various Government and Non-Government reports;
- (b) if so, the details and the current status thereof indicating the maternal mortality and infant mortality rates in the said districts;
- (c) the schemes/programs proposed by the Government to increase access to education, provide nutrition and health support, strengthen legal protection and promote socio-economic empowerment for women and children therein;
- (d) the details of the scheme implemented/proposed to be implemented for empowering women, alongwith vocational training, strengthening Self-Help Groups, health and nutrition campaigns/ensuring girls education; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken for addressing gender disparities/ensuring the safety/welfare of women children in the said district?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
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(a) & (b) As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) 2023 report of the Registrar General of India (RGI), the Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) in the State of Uttar Pradesh is 37

per 1,000 live births. The SRS-RGI report does not provide IMR estimates at the district level.

According to Sample Registration System (SRS) report for 2020-22, the Maternal Mortality Rate in Uttar Pradesh was 141 per lakh live births. This is a decrease from the 167 per lakh births recorded in the 2018-20 SRS report.

(c) to (e) The Government of India supports in implementation of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAH + N) strategy under National Health Mission (NHM) based on the Annual Program Implementation Plan (APIP) submitted by respective State / UT. The details of interventions to improve child health outcomes all across the country including State of Uttar Pradesh, are placed as below:

- **Facility Based Newborn Care:** Special New-born Care Units (SNCUs) are established at District Hospital and Medical College level, Newborn Stabilization Units (NBSUs) are established at First Referral Units (FRUs)/ Community Health Centres (CHCs) for care of sick and small babies.
- **Community Based care of Newborn and Young Children:** Under Home Based New-born Care (HBNC) and Home-Based Care of Young Children (HBYC) program, home visits are performed by ASHAs to improve child-rearing practices and to identify sick newborn and young children in the community.
- **Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK):** Sick infant up to one year of age is entitled to free treatment in public health institutions along with the provision of free transport, diagnostics, medicines, blood and consumables.
- **Social Awareness and Actions to Neutralize Pneumonia Successfully (SAANS)** initiative implemented since 2019 for reduction of childhood morbidity and mortality due to Pneumonia.
- **STOP Diarrhoea** campaign is implemented for promoting use of ORS and Zinc and for reducing morbidity and mortality due to childhood diarrhoea.
- **Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK):** Children from 0 to 18 years of age are screened for 32 health conditions (i.e. Diseases, Deficiencies, Defects and Developmental delay) under Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) to improve child survival. District Early Intervention Centres (DEICs) at district health facility level are established for confirmation and management of children screened under RBSK.

In addition to the schemes being implemented by other Ministries, Ministry of Women & Child Development is implementing schemes for safety/ welfare of women and children, including to increase access to education, provide nutrition and health support, strengthen legal protection and promote socio-economic empowerment for women and children and address gender disparities, all over the country, including Badaun District of Uttar Pradesh, in three Umbrella Missions, viz. (1) Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 for improving nutrition & health indicators (2) Mission Shakti, for safety, protection and empowerment of women; and (3) Mission Vatsalya, for protection, care and welfare of children in difficult circumstances. Details of the schemes are as under:

(i) Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0 (Mission Poshan 2.0): Under this mission, Anganwadi Services Scheme, POSHAN Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been reorganized into 3 primary sub-verticals: (i) Nutrition Support for Children, Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers and for Adolescent Girls (ii) Early Childhood Care and Education and (iii) Anganwadi Infrastructure including upgraded Saksham Anganwadis.

(ii) Mission Shakti: It comprises of two verticals ‘**Sambal**’ and ‘**Samarthya**’ for safety, security and empowerment of women, respectively.

I. Sambal - The following schemes have been included under the Sambal vertical: **One Stop Centres (OSC)** - for providing integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence and those in distress, both in private and public spaces in a convergent and coordinated manner under one roof; **Women Helplines (181-WHL)** is a 24 x 7 x 365 toll-free emergency/non-emergency response system that is integrated with ERSS (112) and other existing helplines/institutions; **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)** - launched with an aim to address declining Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) and related issues of empowerment of girls and women over a life cycle continuum; **Nari Adalat** – a pilot initiative aimed at empowering women by ensuring justice and to offer services such as alternate dispute resolution, grievance redressal, counselling, evidence-based decision-making, pressure group tactics, negotiation, mediation, and reconciliation.

II. Samarthya - The following schemes have been included under ‘Samarthya’ vertical: **Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)** - a Centrally Sponsored Maternity Benefit Scheme under which cash incentives flow to the beneficiaries in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode for the first child and the second girl child; **Ujjwala and Swadhar Greh (renamed as Shakti Sadan)** - an Integrated Relief and Rehabilitation Home for women in distress situations including trafficked women; **Working Women Hostel (renamed as Sakhi Niwas)** - to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women in urban, semi-urban and also in rural areas where

employment opportunities for women exist; **National Hub for Empowerment of Women (NHEW)** - to facilitate intersectoral convergence of schemes and programs meant for women at National level, State/ UT level and district level and **National Creche Scheme (renamed as Palna)** that aims to increase the participation of women in work force in the economy by providing quality crèche facility in safe and secure environment for children.

(iii) Mission Vatsalya: Mission Vatsalya includes the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for better outreach and protection for children in need and care in a mission mode with the objective to: (i) Support and sustain Children in difficult circumstances. (ii) Develop context-based solutions for holistic development of children from varied backgrounds. (iii) Provide scope for encouraging innovative solutions, (iv) Cement convergent action.
