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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1077 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05-12-2025

#### NATIONAL TOTAL FERTILITY RATE

#### 1077: SHRI BRIJMOHAN AGRAWAL:

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

- (a) the details of the current National Total Fertility Rate (TFR) as per the 2023 Sample Registration System (SRS) statistical report, in the country;
- (b) the details of the specific TFR value considered the replacement level in the country;
- (c) whether the rural or urban sector has reached this level as per last ten years data and if so, the details thereof along with data of TFR value in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the initiatives and policies being considered for the States that have alarmingly low TFR for overall improvement of TFR of our country;
- (e) the details of the decade in which the population of the country is expected to peak along with the expected population size thereto; and
- (f) the details of the approximate year by which the proportion of India's population of seniors (over 60) is expected to surpass the number of children (under 14) in the country?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) to (f): As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) Statistical Report 2023, the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) for India in 2023 was 1.9, with a higher TFR in rural areas (2.1) than in urban areas (1.5). The replacement level TFR, viz. 2.1, has been attained at the National level, along with Delhi (1.2), Tamil Nadu (1.3), West Bengal (1.3), Kerala (1.5), Punjab (1.5), Himachal Pradesh (1.6), Maharashtra (1.4), Andhra Pradesh (1.5), Jammu & Kashmir (1.5),

Karnataka (1.5), Telangana (1.5), Odisha (1.7), Uttarakhand (1.7), Gujarat (1.8), Haryana (1.9), Assam (2.0) and Jharkhand (2.1). The details are at Annexure.

In alignment with the National Population Policy 2000 and the National Health Policy 2017, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare focuses on the voluntary adoption of family planning services, with programmatic interventions to promote healthy timing and spacing of pregnancies for the health and well-being of the mother and child. A Continuum of Care integrated approach across maternal, child, and adolescent health is supported with various IEC and awareness activities to safeguard the health of the mother and child. State-specific budgets under the Programme Implementation Plan are being considered for approval based on proposals submitted by the States.

Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) across the country (except Telangana), w.e.f. 01.01.2017. The PMMVY is a Centrally Sponsored Maternity Benefit Scheme under which cash incentives of ₹5,000/- is provided directly to the Bank/Post Office account of the beneficiary in Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode for first child. The eligible beneficiaries receive the remaining cash incentive, as per approved norms towards maternity benefit under Janani Suraksha Yojana after institutional delivery, so that on an average a woman gets ₹6,000/-. Cash incentive of ₹6,000/- is also provided under PMMVY to eligible beneficiaries for second child subject to the second child being a girl.

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# Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (f) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.-1077 to be answered on 05-12-2025

TFR (Total Fertility Rate) by Residence, India and bigger States/UTs, 2023

States/UTs	Total	Rural	Urban
India	1.9	2.1	1.5
Andhra Pradesh	1.5	1.6	1.3
Assam	2.0	2.1	1.3
Bihar	2.8	2.9	2.2
Chhattisgarh	2.2	2.5	1.6
Delhi	1.2	1.3	1.2
Gujarat	1.8	2.1	1.6
Haryana	1.9	2.1	1.7
Himachal Pradesh	1.6	1.6	1.1
Jammu & Kashmir	1.5	1.6	1.2
Jharkhand	2.1	2.3	1.7
Karnataka	1.5	1.7	1.4
Kerala	1.5	1.5	1.5
Madhya Pradesh	2.4	2.6	1.8
Maharashtra	1.4	1.6	1.3
Odisha	1.7	1.8	1.2
Punjab	1.5	1.5	1.4
Rajasthan	2.3	2.4	2.1
Tamil Nadu	1.3	1.3	1.3
Telangana	1.5	1.6	1.5
Uttar Pradesh	2.6	2.7	2.2
Uttarakhand	1.7	1.8	1.6
West Bengal	1.3	1.4	1.1

Note: Rounded off to one decimal point.

**Source**: SRS Statistical Report 2023 (Statement 24)