

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2077
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2025

MALNOURISHED GIRLS AND PREGNANT WOMEN

2077. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is providing free foodgrains to malnourished girls and pregnant women in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantity of foodgrains allocated to the States for this purpose, State-wise; and
- (d) the number of malnourished girls/ pregnant women who have benefitted from this scheme during the last three years till date, State-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): Under Saksham Anganwadi and Mission Poshan 2.0, Supplementary Nutrition is provided to Children (6 months to 6 years), Pregnant Women, Lactating Mothers and Adolescent Girls (of 14-18 years in Aspirational Districts and North-Eastern region) to beat the intergenerational cycle of malnutrition by adopting a life cycle approach. Supplementary nutrition is provided in the form of Hot Cooked Meals (HCM) and Take Home Ration (THR).

Foodgrains i.e. wheat, fortified rice and millets, are allocated at subsidised rates to State Governments and Union Territory (UT) Administrations under Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (WBNP) and Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) on quarterly basis through the Department of Food and Public Distribution (DFPD) for preparation of HCM and THR.

(c): A statement indicating the quantity of foodgrains allocated to States and UTs under WBNP and SAG till the 3rd quarter of the financial year 2025-26 is given at **Annexure - I.**

(d): A statement indicating the number of Aadhar verified adolescent girls and pregnant women who have benefited from this scheme during the last three years and current financial year is given at **Annexure - II.**

Statement referred to in part (c) of Unstarred Question No.2077 for 12.12.2025 regarding 'Malnourished Girls and Pregnant Women' asked by Shri Arun Kumar Sagar

Quantity of foodgrains allocated to States/UTs under Wheat Based Nutrition Programme (WBNP) and Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) during the financial year 2025-26 (till the 3rd quarter of 2025-26)

(in Metric Tons)

	States/UTs	WBNP				SAG			
		Wheat	Fortified Rice	Ragi	Jowar	Wheat	Fortified Rice	Ragi	Jowar
1	A&N Island	0	126.6	36.18	0	0	0	0	0
2	Andhra Pradesh	19757.3	29302.5	0	0	0	796.22	0	0
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	1804.61	0	0	0	305.39	0	0
4	Assam	18702.51	37952.3	6143.94	0	2611.64	5223.29	849.24	0
5	Bihar	0	179634.53	0	0	0	4618.04	0	0
6	Chandigarh	297.58	210.56	87.36	0	0	0	0	0
7	Chhattisgarh	36268.5	7014.96	1504.05	0	1571.21	0	104.01	0
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	0	441.67	173.34	34.53	0	0	0	0
9	Delhi	6348.52	6822.16	191.22	108.66	0	0	0	0
10	Goa	70.8	1077.38	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Gujarat	46611.4	9285.88	0	0	675.51	0	0	0
12	Haryana	19177.97	3086.43	0	2772.81	134	32.17	0	23.61
13	Himachal Pradesh	4646.83	2840.66	0	133.64	235.54	108.71	0	17.91
14	Jammu & Kashmir	0	17862.78	0	0	0	571.96	0	0
15	Jharkhand	18406.13	22060.97	2413.2	0	2754.4	0	293.88	0
16	Karnataka	48929.49	34260.76	0	4437.96	327.82	1229.34	0	82.8
17	Kerala	14520.31	10095.33	0	0	400.91	0	0	0
18	Ladakh	64.19	208.83	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Lakshadweep	44.14	44.75	11.1	0	0	00	0	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	89190.34	31630.21	0	0	980.14	1066.61	0	0
21	Maharashtra	51957.6	67163.02	0	0	827.74	1195.63	0	0
22	Manipur	0	4984.01	487.53	731.28	0	706.13	74.37	111.54
23	Meghalaya	4610.7	2942.38	0	709.71	515.76	328.21	0	67.17
24	Mizoram	1197.72	1201.14	0	0	0	385.15	0	0
25	Nagaland	0	1964.65	0	0	0	451.75	0	0

26	Odisha	43159.9	28972.5	0	0	5404.03	0	0	0
27	Puducherry	0	374.23	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Punjab	12927.59	15302.51	0	0	362.5	392.71	0	0
29	Rajasthan	45004.29	12057.79	0	0	520.96	291.27	0	0
30	Sikkim	93.37	0	0	38.74	0	0	0	0
31	Tamil Nadu	35920.55	14594.38	0	0	773.63	0	0	0
32	Telangana	12403.42	20832.68	0	0	0	0	376.26	0
33	Tripura	0	6950.02	0	0	0	698.51	0	0
34	Uttar Pradesh	242649.63	191651.51	0	0	2377.47	1018.91	0	0
35	Uttarakhand	6606.2	1975.95	942.06	0	869.34	87.43	0	0
36	West Bengal	0	121658.25	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	779566.98	888388.89	11989.98	8967.33	21342.6	19507.43	1697.76	303.03

Annexure II

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Statement referred to in part (d) of Unstarred Question No.2077 for 12.12.2025 regarding
'Malnourished Girls and Pregnant Women' asked by Shri Arun Kumar Sagar

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Number of Aadhar verified beneficiaries (as per Poshan Tracker) viz. Pregnant women (PW)
and Adolescent Girls (AG) who have benefitted from this scheme
during the last three years and current Financial Year

	2022-23 *		2023-24 *		2024-25 *		2025-26 *	
State/UT	Pregnant Women	Adolescent Girls	Pregnant Women	Adolescent Girls	Pregnant Women	Adolescent Girls	Pregnant Women	Adolescent Girls
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	802	0	751	0	806	0	911	0
Andhra Pradesh	2,21,529	52,348	96,340	11,021	2,45,821	54,370	2,37,048	27,648
Arunachal Pradesh	949	2,312	2,111	9,303	2,570	13,081	2,442	11,021
Assam	2,01,569	1,17,386	1,68,708	1,43,438	1,74,323	3,92,314	1,65,812	3,38,510
Bihar	7,04,127	1,16,902	5,12,846	2,18,778	6,75,484	2,08,729	8,84,667	1,69,190
Chhattisgarh	1,80,050	64,940	2,03,799	1,09,771	1,93,254	1,11,227	1,81,343	71,191
Dadra & Nagar Haveli - Daman & Diu	3,654	0	4,711	0	3,584	0	3,796	0
Delhi	51,098	0	71,189	0	67,535	0	70,263	0
Goa	1,408	0	4,741	0	3,672	0	3,369	0
Gujarat	2,47,660	52,358	2,64,999	69,873	2,25,999	67,291	2,39,579	55,708
Haryana	95,695	178	1,16,459	7,765	1,22,401	8,401	1,41,898	9,691
Himachal Pradesh	25,900	1,801	41,254	16,596	35,255	16,875	33,674	15,440
J&K	38,527	14,533	45,550	19,266	48,970	24,905	44,285	25,271
Jharkhand	1,11,040	57,040	2,37,767	1,61,685	1,81,181	2,05,408	1,97,420	1,56,811
Karnataka	3,48,179	883	2,77,116	1,299	3,52,265	66,837	3,84,289	70,348
Kerala	1,69,062	12,548	1,40,143	18,498	1,20,717	18,549	1,25,379	17,961
Ladakh	827	0	863	0	891	0	858	0
Lakshadweep	222	0	436	0	409	0	430	0
Madhya Pradesh	5,05,097	1,27,476	5,02,622	1,41,341	4,84,195	1,51,360	4,73,376	1,09,620

Maharashtra	1,75,215	56,385	4,15,426	1,14,515	3,24,076	1,10,696	3,48,840	96,386
Manipur	14,258	44,968	7,419	42,177	11,112	43,613	10,125	32,784
Meghalaya	3,701	5,177	13,476	36,542	8,888	31,930	14,521	44,094
Mizoram	6,769	12,940	6,748	20,879	6,057	18,060	6,420	14,624
Nagaland	76	1,587	2,214	10,362	1,237	17,334	2,449	18,581
Odisha	3,04,502	2,08,374	3,20,022	2,69,240	3,06,106	2,70,509	3,00,552	2,06,251
Puducherry	1,011	0	3,710	0	3,157	0	3,517	0
Punjab	64,743	59	1,05,251	27,801	93,841	34,148	82,806	31,753
Rajasthan	4,42,247	7,564	3,47,979	41,226	3,47,254	41,535	3,40,810	30,125
Sikkim	1,255	5,255	1,652	7,849	1,436	7,357	1,360	5,510
Tamil Nadu	3,13,165	31,690	3,15,478	38,564	2,84,361	44,874	3,04,452	41,176
Telangana	1,83,951	13,808	1,78,850	22,977	1,14,018	19,993	1,70,671	35,442
Tripura	21,947	17,394	20,103	29,241	17,703	32,353	17,493	26,523
UT- Chandigarh	3,531	0	3,387	0	3,490	0	3,608	0
Uttar Pradesh	18,31,15 2	46,141	18,60,37 2	2,49,445	16,53,50 3	2,04,754	13,78,36 5	1,08,376
Uttarakhand	62,498	11,133	70,446	69,971	65,995	73,537	59,303	58,896
West Bengal	6,10,329	0	6,25,922	0	5,67,225	0	5,72,098	0
Grand Total	69,47,74 5	10,83,180	69,90,86 0	19,09,423	67,48,79 1	22,90,040	68,08,22 9	18,28,931

* Number of beneficiary as existing in the month of November of respective Financial Year
