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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2204 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12-12-2025

NATIONAL FAMILY HEALTH SURVEY

2204: SHRI PARTHA BHOWMICK:

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

- (a) the year of fieldwork and the date of publication for the last round of the National Family Health Survey (NFHS) in the country;
- (b) the details of the current status of NFHS-6;
- (c) whether the publication of reports/fact sheets of the NFHS-6 has been delayed and if so, the details and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the timeline by which the National, State/UT and district fact sheets and the main report of NFHS-6 are likely to be placed in the public domain?

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

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoH&FW) conducts an integrated survey namely National Family Health Survey (NFHS). The survey provides data on health and family welfare and associated domains like characteristics of the population; fertility and fertility preferences; family planning; infant and child mortality; maternal and child health; nutrition; morbidity and healthcare; women's empowerment, etc. It is a nationally important source of data for the purpose of monitoring performance of health programmes/schemes of Government of India.

The NFHS-5 was conducted during 2019-21 and its Report was released in 2022. The sixth round of NFHS was initiated timely with International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) as the nodal agency. The fieldwork for NFHS-6 was carried out in two phases across all States/UTs, except Manipur due to administrative reasons, and has been completed.

The Ministry ensures a timely dissemination of NFHS data by conducting regular follow-ups with the nodal agency and regular meetings at higher levels to monitor progress and oversee intermediary steps. For ensuring transparent dissemination, data of NFHS in Factsheets and Reports is usually released.
