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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3256 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5TH AUGUST, 2016

POPULATION STABILIZATION FUND

3256. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI: SHRI S. SELVAKUMARA CHINNAYAN: SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR: SHRI ANIL SHIROLE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified around 100 districts for microplanning to achieve targeted total fertile rate (TFR) of 2.1, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has set up National Population Stabilisation Fund (NPSF) for promoting and supporting innovative activities and programmes aimed at population stabilisation, if so, the details and objectives thereof;
- (c) the details of the schemes and the total funds allocated/released/utilised along with the achievement made during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to empower NPSF to play a larger role and enhancing its contribution towards realising the goal of population stabilisation; and
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken any new programmes on world population day with regard to population stabilisation, if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

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

- (a): Yes, more than 100 districts with high TFR (Total Fertility Rate) have been identified where focused efforts are being made to provide better coverage of Family Planning services.
- (b): Yes. Government has set up Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh (JSK) also known as National Population Stabilization Fund, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), in 2003 on the recommendation of the National Population Commission.

The details may be seen at **Annexure I**.

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- (c): JSK is operating the following schemes as on date:
 - 1. Prerna Scheme.
 - 2. Santushti Scheme.
 - 3. National Helpline toll free (1800-11-6555).

The details of the Schemes may be seen at **Annexure II**.

Details of funds allocated and expenditure under these schemes during last three years and current year are as under:

F.Y.	*Allocation (Rs. in lakhs)	Expenditure on schemes (Rs. in lakhs)
2013-14	460.13	264.28
2014-15	750.00	374.24
2015-16	740.67	538.43
2016-17 till June	1700.29	91.98

^{*}including Scheme & establishment

Overall achievement in TFR of country in last three years as per latest data available:

2010	2011	2012	2013
2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3

(Source:- Sample Registration System)

- (d): Government has allocated Rs. 100.00 crore as Corpus Fund to Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh also known as National Population Stabilization Fund.
- (e): No.

Annexure I

Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh's mandate is to promote and undertake schemes, programs, projects and initiatives to meet the unmet need of contraception, reproductive and child health to lead the aim of population stabilization.

Aims & Objectives of JSK

- 1. To provide or undertake activities aimed to achieve population stabilization, at a level consistent with the needs of sustainable economic growth, social development and environment protection, by 2045.
- 2. To promote and support schemes, programmes, projects and initiatives for meeting the unmet needs for contraception and reproductive and child health care.
- 3. To promote and support innovative ideas in the Government, private and voluntary sector with a view to achieve the objectives of the National Population Policy 2000.
- 4. To facilitate the development of a vigorous people's movement in favour of the national effort for population stabilization.
- 5. To provide a window for canalizing contributions from individuals, trade organizations and others within the country and outside, in furtherance of the national cause of population stabilization.

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The Details of Schemes operated by JSK are as under:-

Prerna Scheme:

In order to help push up the age of marriage of girls and space the birth of children in the interest of health of young mothers and infants, Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh (National Population Stabilization Fund) has launched PRERNA, a **Responsible Parenthood Strategy,** in seven high focus states namely Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha and Rajasthan.

Santushti Scheme:

Santushti is a strategy of Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh (JSK) for the highly populated states of India namely Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Odisha. Under this strategy, Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh, invites private sector gynecologists and vasectomy surgeons to conduct sterilization operations in Public Private Partnership mode.

National Helpline toll free (1800-11-6555):

National Helpline Service to provide free and reliable information to all on reproductive health, mother health, child health, sexual health, adolescent health, infertility, contraception and family planning etc. It aims to reach out to adolescents, about to be married and newly married couples and who do not have easy access to reliable information on the above issues.

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