

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3269  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2016**

**PROMOTING HEALTH SNACKS**

**3269. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:**

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

(a) whether the Government has formulated any plans to promote healthy snacks among the young population; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

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

(a) & (b): Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has issued the Draft Guidelines for making available Wholesome, Nutritious, Safe and Hygienic Food to School Children in India.

Under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme administered by Department of Women & Child Development, nutritious food is provided in the form of (i) Hot Cooked Meal; (ii) Morning Snack; and (iii) Micronutrient Fortified Food and/or Energy-dense Food as Take Home Ration (THR).

Under the National Programme of Mid-day Meal in schools administered by the Department of School Education & Literacy, hot cooked nutritious meal is provided to school children studying in primary and upper primary classes of government, government aided and local body schools.

National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS), a centrally sponsored scheme, under implementation across the country, for prevention, control and management of these diseases has objectives, inter alia, to generate awareness on healthy food.

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