

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 274
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

SUPPLEMENTARY NUTRITION PROGRAMME

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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the per capita cost of the Supplementary Nutrition Programme has increased since 2017;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating percentage of funds earmarked by the Government for the said scheme;
- (c) whether there exist any manpower constraints in the implementation of the Supplementary Nutrition Programme, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of recruitment to the post of Child Development Project Officer in the State of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra;
- (e) the frequency of social audits for the assessment of the quality of services provided in schools?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The per capita cost of the Supplementary Nutrition Programme has not increased since 2017. However, funds allocation under the scheme has been increased from Rs. 15,245.19 crore to Rs. 20,263.07 crore from 2017-18 to 2022-23 i.e., by 32.92%.

(c): The Supplementary Nutrition Programme under Anganwadi Services Scheme is implemented by the State Governments/UT Administrations. States/UTs have been advised repeatedly to fill vacancies in ICDS functionary posts and address constraints if any, due to lack of manpower.

(d): The details of sanctioned and in-position strength of Child Development Programme Officers as on 30.06.2022 are as follows:

S. No.	State/UT	No. Of CDPOs		
		Sanctioned	In-position	Vacant
1	Madhya Pradesh	453	422	31
2	Maharashtra	553	257	296
3	Uttar Pradesh	897	438	459

(e): As per the Scheme guidelines of Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, social audit shall be undertaken by stakeholders, such as the Gram Panchayats, Mothers' Groups and Village Health, Sanitation and Nutrition Committees (VHSNCs). Direct feedback is also obtained from those who have availed the services under the Scheme.