

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3906
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NATIONAL NUTRITION MISSION
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to constitute a National Nutrition Mission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any targets in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time likely to be taken by the Government to achieve them?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a) to (d) The National Nutrition Mission was constituted vide Gazette Notification dated 31st July, 2003. Its main objective was to review the goals set out in the National Nutrition Policy 1993 and strategies adopted by various Ministries/ Departments besides coordinating their activities.

(b) Subsequently the Prime Minister's National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges has been set up under the Chairmanship of the prime Minister vide Govt. Notification dated 31-10-2008 to provide policy directions, review the ongoing programme and coordinate between various Ministries to address the challenge of malnutrition in a more effective way.