

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

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

- (a) the number of districts of the country where nutrition programme is being implemented for improving the health of the teenaged girls during the current financial year, State- wise;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated and utilized for the purpose during the current financial year;
- (c) the number of girls targeted as beneficiaries under the said programme;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to implement the said programme in other districts of the country; and
- (e) if so, the number of the districts of the country including Madhya Pradesh likely to be included thereunder?

**Answer**

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

- (a): Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing two schemes for adolescent girls viz. Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG) on pilot basis to improve the nutritional status of 11-19 years adolescent girls in 51 identified districts across the country and Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY) to improve the nutrition and health status of 11-18 years adolescent girls in all districts of the country with limited coverage of two to three adolescent girls per anganwadi centre. Statements indicating State- wise districts covered under NPAG and blocks covered under KSY are available in the Ministry's website ([www.wcd.nic.in](http://www.wcd.nic.in)).
- (b): A sum of Rs. 162.77 crore have been allocated under NPAG during current financial year against which a sum Rs. 51.04 crore (till date) has been released to States/UTs. A sum of Rs.20.25 lakh (till date) have been released to States/UTs under KSY.
- (c): The expected number of adolescent girls to be covered under NPAG and KSY are approximately 27 lakh & 21 lakh respectively.
- (d) & (e): The Ministry has proposed a centrally sponsored scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls named SABLA-Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG) Whereby the two existing schemes of the Ministry, i.e. NPAG and KSY are merged with content enrichment. The scheme is proposed to be implemented in all ICDS Projects in the country subject to approval of competent authority.