

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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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 has achieved the aims and objectives of implementing the National Nutrition Mission (NNM) in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the number of women including pregnant women, lactating mother and children benefited from NNM across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated by the Government under NNM along with its utilisation reported by each State/UT during the said period, State/UT-wise and the reasons for under-utilisation if any, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received complaints of corruption/irregularities/ distribution of sub-standard and less than fixed quantity of food in the implementation of NNM in the country, if so, the details thereof, along with the action taken/being taken by the Government on such complaints so far, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the other corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the NNM in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a): Under the National Nutrition Mission, there are two components, namely

(i) Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign against malnutrition: In order to create awareness about nutrition challenges and promote home level feeding practices, a nationwide Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign against malnutrition was launched in November 2012. The first cycle was undertaken during the year 2012-13, 2013-14 and second cycle was undertaken during 2014-15.

(ii) Multi-sectoral Nutrition Programme (MSNP): to address Maternal and Child Undernutrition in 200 high burden districts aiming at prevention and reduction in child under-nutrition (underweight prevalence in children under 3 years of age) and reduction in levels of anaemia among children, adolescent girls and women. The requisite Start up funds has been released to respective States for implementing the Programme. The State-wise/UT-wise allocation in respect of high burden districts under the Multi-sectoral Nutrition Programme is placed at Annexure.

(b): The budgetary allocation made and funds utilized under the National Nutrition Mission (NNM) during last three years and the current year is as below:

Financial Year Budget Estimates Revised Estimates Expenditure

(Rs in crore) (Rs in crore) (Rs in crore)

2012-13 250.00 83.00 55.69

2013-14 300.00 200.00 123.00

2014-15 300.00 20.00 20.00

2015-16 205.79 -- --

The under utilization of the budgetary allocation was due to delay in the launch of the IEC campaign and the MSNP.

(c) & (d): There is no food component under NNM.
