

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

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IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL NUTRITION MISSION PROGRAMME

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

- (a) whether the Government has achieved the target of implementing the first phase of the National Nutrition Mission Programme in 100 high burden districts between 2013-14;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor along with the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to cover the remaining districts; and
- (d) the time by which the second phase of the National Nutrition Mission Programme, to cover all 200 high burden districts is likely to be started by the Government?

Answer

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

(a) Multi-sectoral Nutrition programme of National Nutrition Mission to address Maternal and Child Under-Nutrition in 200 high-burden districts, which aims at prevention and reduction in child under-nutrition (underweight prevalence in children under 3 years of age) and reduction in levels of anaemia among young children, adolescent girls and women has been launched in January 2014 and to begin with, in the 100 high burden districts. The concerned States /UTs have been advised to set up State Nutrition Council / Districts Nutrition Cells and prepare nutrition action plans for approval of the Government and the plans/progress from the States is awaited.

(b) to (d): In view of (a) above, it does not arise.