

(c) Presently, there is no plan for conducting such type of Carnival in various parts of the country. However, Ministry of Tribal Affairs extends financial support to Tribal Research Institutes set up by various States for undertaking identified activities including organizing Tribal Festivals in various part of their respective State.

Anaemic tribal children in Tamil Nadu

790. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are over 3000 tribal children in Tamil Nadu who are anaemic and require immediate attention;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has sought any report from the State Government of Tamil Nadu in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR): (a) to (d) Reports were sought from the Government of Tamil Nadu. Details of Report of Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu are given in Statement-I (*See below*). Details of the Report of the Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu are given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Report of Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Out of 2.36 lakh Tribal children in Tamil Nadu roughly 1.3 lakh children are anemic.

As per the National Family Health Survey-4 data available for the Nilgiris and Krishnagiri district of Tamil Nadu which are having higher density of tribals, prevalence of Anaemia among children aged between 6-59 months is on par with anemia prevalence rate of Tamil Nadu i.e. 50.7%.

Also as per the ICDS data available with Directorate of ICDS, Tamil Nadu, the Severely Malnourished children in the age group of 0-38 months are only 0.12% and for children in the age group of 37-60 months it is 0.03% only.

Action being taken by the Government of Tamil Nadu:

1. Children in the age group of 1-5 years: Tablet Albendazole 400mg twice a year for deworming is administered in schools.
2. Children in the age group of 1-5 years: Syrup. Iron and Folic Acid (contains 100mg/5 ml of Ferrous Sulphate and 0.5 mg of Folic Acid) through KIT A by VHN in Anganwadi Centres.
3. Children in the age group of 1-5 years: Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Tablets (contains Ferrous Iron 45mg and Folic Acid 400 mcg) supplied through KIT A by VHN in Anganwadi Centres.
4. Screening by RBSK Mobile Health Teams of all Children between 0-18 years.
5. Screening and treatment of minor ailments by 20 Tribal Mobile Medical Units through NGOs supported by National Health Mission.
6. 2650 ASHAs have been funded by NHM for MCH activities in Tribal Hilly and hard to reach Areas.
7. Screening and treatment of Sick cell Anaemia and Thalassemia-which are predominant cause of anaemia among tribal population through NGOs supported by NHM through Prevention of Hemoglobinopathies Programme in 30 Tribal Blocks.
8. Under Article 275(1) for screening and follow up of Sick cell Anaemia in Coimbatore and Nilgiris districts of Tamil Nadu, ₹ 61.155 lakhs have been allocated.
9. Steps are being taken to promote open defecation free villages under Swachh Bharat and IEC on hand wash is aggressively promoted.
10. Nutritional supplements provided through ICDS.
11. Tribal Health Counsellors are appointed in all tribal block PHCs to motivate the tribalsto give counseling and take treatment for anemia in general and sickle cell in particular. Apart from the above, the Government of Tamil Nadu, Social Welfare Department is also preparing a Nutritional Policy of the State to eradicate the malnutrition which is a key factor for anemia.

Statement-II

Report of Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

A. Background Data:

Prevalence of anaemia among children aged between 6-59 months

(cut of value for hemoglobin-<11.0g/dl)

1. District Level Household Survey-4

Sl. No.	Name of Study Area	Period of Study	Observation
1.	Tamil Nadu	2012-2013	60.2%
2.	The Nilgiris	2012-2013	41.3%
3.	Krishnagiri	2012-2013	51.8%

2. National Family Health Survey-4

Sl. No.	Name of Study Area	Period of Study	Observation
1.	Tamil Nadu	2015-2016	50.7%
2.	The Nilgiris	2015-2016	53.3%
3.	Krishnagiri	2015-2016	52.1%

The above data shows that Prevalence of Anaemia among children aged between 6-59 months in Tribal Districts like Nilgiris, Krishnagiri is on par with prevalence data of Tamil Nadu.

B. Interventions:*Health Facilities and Health teams functional in Tribal areas*

Sl. No.	Type of Tribal Institutions	Number of Institutions
1.	District Hospital	1
2.	SDH	12
3.	CHC	15
4.	PHC	95
5.	Newly Created PHCs under NHM till Dec 2016	15
6.	Tribal RBSK Mobile Health Teams	58
7.	Regular Mobile Medical Units in tribal blocks	29

- 1-5 years:** Tablet Albendazole 400mg twice a year for deworming of Children
- 1-5 years:** Syrup Iron and Folic Acid (contains 100mg/5ml of Ferrous Sulphate and 0.5 mg of Folic Acid) through KIT a by VHN in Anganwadi Centres. Each kit contains 400 bottles
- 1-5 years:** Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Tablets (contains Ferrous Iron 45mg and Folic acid 400mcg) supplied through KIT A by VHN in Anganwadi Centres. Each kit contains 13000 tablets.
- Screening by RBSK Mobile Health Teams of all Children between 0-18 years

5. Screening and treatment of minor ailments by 20 Tribal Mobile Units through NGOs supported by National Health Mission.
6. 2650 ASHAs have been funded by NHM for MCH activities in Tribal Hilly and hard to reach Areas
7. Screening and treatment of Sickle cell anaemia and Thalassemia—which are predominant cause of anaemia among tribal population through NGOs supported by NHM through Prevention of Hemoglobinopathies Programme in 30 Tribal Blocks
8. Steps taken to promote open defecation free villages
9. IEC on Hand Hygiene
10. Nutritional supplements provided through ICDS
11. NHM supported Tribal Health Counsellors
12. Free treatment and admission for patients needing in-patient care through Tribal Bed Grant Scheme.
13. Promoting the activity of wearing slippers to prevent hookworm infection.

Funds provided by NHM for special schemes in tribal areas

(₹ in lakh)

Sl. No.	Scheme	Funds provided by National Health Mission (NHM)
1.	Prevention of Hemoglobinopathies	216.00
2.	Sickle Cell Intervention Programme	14.00
3.	Bed Grant Scheme	15.00
4.	Tribal Counsellors-10 nos	7.20
5.	Tribal MMU	273.60

Tribal undertrials in jails

791. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the total number of tribal undertrials languishing in jails in the country;
- (b) whether the Ministry provides any legal assistance to the tribal undertrials; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR): (a) As per information received