

Curbing population explosion

199. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has identified the groups of people in different income brackets who are prone to increase in population in excess of national policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the special steps being taken or proposed to be taken to curb population explosion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI ANUPRIYA PATEL): (a) No.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Details of the steps being taken are given in the Statement.

Statement*Steps being taken under the Family Planning Programme of India*

1. **Mission Parivar Vikas** - The Government has launched Mission Parivar Vikas for substantially increasing access to contraceptives and family planning services in 146 high fertility districts with Total Fertility Rate (TFR) of 3 and above in seven high focus States. These districts are from the States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Assam that itself constitutes 44% of the country's population.
2. **New Contraceptive Choices** - Three new contraceptives viz. Injectable contraceptive, Centchroman and Progesterone Only Pills (POP) have been added to the existing basket of choices.
3. A new method of IUCD insertion immediately after delivery *i.e.* post-partum IUCD (PPIUCD) has been introduced.
4. **Redesigned Contraceptive Packaging** - The packaging for Condoms, OCPs and ECPs has now been improved and redesigned so as to increase the demand for these commodities.
5. **Compensation scheme for sterilization acceptors** - under the scheme MoHFW

provides compensation for loss of wages to the beneficiary and also to the service provider (and team) for conducting sterilizations.

6. **COT Scheme** - The scheme has been launched in 146 Mission Parivar Vikas districts for providing Family planning services through mobile teams from accredited organizations in far-flung, underserved and geographically difficult areas.
7. Scheme for Home delivery of contraceptives by ASHAs at doorstep of beneficiaries.
8. Scheme for ASHAs to ensure spacing in births.
9. Scheme for provision of Pregnancy Testing Kits in the drug kits of the ASHAs for use in communities.
10. **Family Planning Logistic Management and Information System (FP-LMIS):** A dedicated software to ensure smooth forecasting, procurement and distribution of family planning commodities across all the levels of health facilities.
11. **National Family Planning Indemnity Scheme (NFPIS)** under which clients are insured in the eventualities of deaths, complications and failures following sterilization.
12. Ensuring quality of care in Family Planning services by establishing Quality Assurance Committees in all States and districts.
13. Appointment of dedicated RMNCH+A counselors at high case load facilities.
14. Improved Demand generation activities through a 360 degree media campaign.

Condition of medical infrastructure in rural areas

200. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards medical services, doctors and para-medical staff in rural and remote areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the effective steps being taken to improve health services and making doctors and nurses available in rural areas; and
- (c) the target set for expenditure on rural health services during the current Five Year Plan?