

Completion of tribal museum in Andhra Pradesh

1261. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has a proposal for setting up tribal museums for tribal leaders who fought for Independence;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Lambasingi in Andhra Pradesh has been chosen to set up a tribal museum to commemorate contribution of Alluri Seetha Ram Raju; and
- (c) if so, details of the proposal and by when the museum is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RENUKA SARUTA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) has sanctioned projects for setting up tribal freedom fighter's museums in various States including Andhra Pradesh where tribals lived, struggled against the Britishers and refused to bow down so that the coming generations may know how our tribals made sacrifices for the pride of mother India. The detail of tribal fighter's museum approved by MoTA in respect of Andhra Pradesh are as under:-

Location of Museum	Commemorating the Tribal Freedom Fighter	TOTAL estimated Cost	MoTA's Commitment	Fund released to State so far
Lambasingi (V) of Chintapalli Mandal in Vishakhapatnam District (Andhra Pradesh)	Shri Alluri Seetha Ram Raju	₹ 35.00 Crore	₹ 15.00 Crore under the Scheme "Support to TRI"	₹ 7.50 Crore (₹ 5.00 Crore during 2017-18 and ₹ 2.50 Crore during 2018-19)

It is envisaged to complete the construction work of the museum by June 2021, as confirmed by the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

UNICEF report on malnourishment in children

1262. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a recent report of UNICEF has said that every second child in India is malnourished despite the fact that FCI godowns are overflowing and 40 percent of foodgrains go waste in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) what effective remedial measures Government proposes to take in the light of UNICEF report?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) As per the report of Comprehensive National Nutrition Survey (CNNS) conducted by UNICEF during 2016-18, prevalence of stunting, wasting and underweight among children is 34.7%, 17% and 33.4% respectively, which indicates improvement and reduction from the levels reported in National Family Health Survey-4.

(c) The Government has accorded high priority to the issue of malnutrition and is implementing Several schemes like Anganwadi Services, Scheme for Adolescent Girls and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojna (PMMVY) under the Umbrella Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme as direct targeted interventions to address the problem of malnutrition in the country. Children with Severe Acute Malnutrition are treated at the Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres established by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Government has set up POSHAN Abhiyaan on 18.12.2017 for a three year time frame commencing from 2017-18. The goals of POSHAN Abhiyaan are to achieve improvement in nutritional status of Children from 0-6 years, Adolescent Girls, Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers in a time bound manner during the three years with fixed targets as under:

Sl. No.	Objective	Target
1.	Prevent and reduce Stunting in children (0- 6 years)	By 6% @ 2% p.a.
2.	Prevent and reduce under-nutrition (underweight prevalence) in children (0-6 years)	By 6% @ 2% p.a.
3.	Reduce the prevalence of anaemia among young Children(6-59 months)	By 9% @ 3% p.a.
4.	Reduce the prevalence of anaemia among Women and Adolescent Girls in the age group of 15-49 years.	By 9% @ 3% p.a.
5.	Reduce Low Birth Weight (LBW).	By 6% @ 2% p.a.

The Abhiyaan aims to reduce malnutrition in the country in a phased manner, through a life cycle approach, by adopting a synergised and result oriented approach. The Abhiyaan has mechanisms for timely service delivery and a robust monitoring as well as intervention infrastructure. The major activities undertaken under this Abhiyaan are ensuring convergence with various other programmes; Information Technology enabled Common Application Software for strengthening service delivery and interventions; Community Mobilization and Awareness Advocacy leading to Jan Andolan- to educate the people on nutritional aspects; Capacity Building of Frontline Functionaries, incentivizing States/ UTs for achieving goals etc.

Further steps taken under the National Health Mission (NHM), a flagship programme of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, to address malnutrition inter alia include promotion of appropriate Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) practices, Anaemia Mukh Bharat, Iron and Folic Acid (IFA) supplementation, de-worming, promotion of iodized salt, Vitamin-A supplementation, Mission Indradhanush to ensure high coverage of vaccination in children, conducting intensified diarrhoea control fortnights to control childhood diarrhoea, management of sick severely malnourished children at Nutrition Rehabilitation Centers, monthly Village Health and Nutrition Days, Home Based Newborn Care (HBNC) and Home Based Young Child care (HBYC) programmes, Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram, etc.

Cases filed under POCSO

1263. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cases filed under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act during last three years, State-wise details thereof;
- (b) whether in spite of having so many laws for crime against children like sexual offence, forced begging and child labour, the crime against children are increasing day by day in the country;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) what action Government is contemplating to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) As per National Crimes Record Bureau (NCRB) reports, the number of