

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4061
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PILOT PROJECT FOR FREE FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched a Pilot Project to provide free foodgrains to under nourished adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of the districts in which funds has allocated and utilized under the project, State-wise;
- (d) the number of persons benefited by the said project so far;
- (e) whether the Government has evaluated and consider its expansion in some more districts of the country; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. The Government has approved implementation of Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG) in the year 2005- 06 on a pilot project basis. Undernourished Adolescent girls in the age group 11-19 years who are underweight (weight < 35 kg.) are covered under the scheme. Free foodgrains @ 6 kg. per beneficiary per month, are provided to these undernourished adolescent girls.

(c) The programme is being implemented in 51 districts in the country. The list of the districts is at Annexure-1. State-wise allocation/release of funds in the current year is at Annexure-2.

(d) For the current year, the approval for the scheme was issued on 14.7.2005 and the first instalment was released on 26.7.2005. Earlier, the Planning Commission implemented the pilot project during 2002-03 & 2003-04. As per the information available, about 12.66 lakh persons (Adolescent Girls & Pregnant & Lactating Women) were benefited under the Project.

(e)&(f) The Project has not been evaluated so far. Its evaluation and expansion is under consideration.

Annexure-1

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok sabha unstarred Question No. 4061 regarding Pilot Project for free foodgrains for 23.8.2005

Statewise list of districts covered under Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls

| Sl.No | STATES/UTs. | Sl.No | STATES/UTs. |
|-------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|
| 1 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 18 | MIZORAM |
| | Alidabad | | Lunglei |
| | Mehboob Nagar | 19 | NAGALAND |
| 2 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | | Tuensang |
| | Lohit | 20 | ORISSA |
| 3 | ASSAM | | Koraput |
| | Kokrajhar | | Kalahandi |
| | Karbi Anglong | 21 | PUNJAB |
| 4 | BIHAR | | Hoshiarpur |
| | Aurangabad | | Jalandhar |
| | Gaya | 22 | RAJASTHAN |
| 5 | CHATTISGARH | | Dungarpur |
| | Sarguja | | Banswara |
| 6 | GOA | 23 | SIKKIM |
| | North Goa | | East Sikkim |
| 7 | GUJARAT | 24 | TAMIL NADU |
| | Panchmahal | | Thiruvannamalai |
| | Dohad | | Ramanathapuram |
| 8 | HARYANA | 25 | TRIPURA |
| | Ambala | | West Tripura |

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|----|--------------------|----|------------------|
| | Yamuna Nagar | 26 | UTTAR PRADESH. |
| 9 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | | Mirzapur |
| | Kangra | | Sonbhadra |
| 10 | J & K | 27 | UTTRANCHAL |
| | Anantnag | | Hardwar |
| 11 | JHARKHAND | 28 | WEST BENGAL |
| | Paschimi Singhbhum | | Jalpaiguri |
| 12 | KARNATAKA | | Purulia |
| | Gulbarga | 29 | DELHI |
| | Kolar | | North-West Delhi |
| 13 | KERALA | 30 | PONDICHERRY |
| | Palakkad | | Karaikkal |
| | Malappuram | 31 | A & N ISLAND |
| 14 | M.P. | | Andamans |
| | Sagar | 32 | CHANDIGARH |
| | Damoh | | Chandigarh |
| 15 | MAHARASHTRA | 33 | D & N HAVELI |
| | Nanded | | D&N Haveli |
| | Nagpur | 34 | DAMAN & DIU |
| 16 | MANIPUR | | Daman |
| | Senapati | | Diu |
| 17 | MEGHALAYA | 35 | LAKSHADWEEP |
| | East khasi Hills | | Lakshdweep |

Annexure-2

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok sabha unstarred Question No. 4061 regarding Pilot Project for free foodgrainsfor 23.8.2005

Statement showing Statewise allocation/ amount released as 100% grant to States/UTs as first instalment under NPAG during 2005-06

| S.No. | States/UTs | 2005-06 | |
|-------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | Funds Allocated | Amount released as | |
| | (Rs., in lakh) | first instalment | (Rs. in lakh) |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 1089.7 | 544.85 |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 6.91 | 3.46 |
| 3 | Assam | 244.34 | 122.17 |
| 4 | Bihar | 1051.9 | 525.95 |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 328.85 | 164.43 |
| 6 | Goa | 90.04 | 45.02 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 609.99 | 305.00 |
| 8 | Haryana | 240.34 | 120.17 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 180.13 | 90.07 |
| 10 | Jammu & Kashmir | 133.61 | 66.81 |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 357.46 | 178.73 |
| 12 | Karnataka | 1032.8 | 516.40 |
| 13 | Kerala | 495.74 | 247.87 |
| 14 | Madhya Pradesh | 553.91 | 276.96 |
| 15 | Maharashtra | 1225.59 | 612.80 |
| 16 | Manipur | 31.6 | 15.80 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 33.71 | 16.86 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 13.53 | 6.77 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 33.6 | 16.80 |
| 20 | Orissa | 579.05 | 289.53 |
| 21 | Punjab | 259.29 | 129.65 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 472.97 | 236.49 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 12.19 | 6.10 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 422.9 | 211.45 |
| 25 | Tripura | 182.05 | 91.03 |
| 26 | Uttar Pradesh | 622.62 | 311.31 |
| 27 | Uttaranchal | 213.89 | 106.95 |
| 28 | West Bengal | 1241.75 | 620.88 |
| 29 | A & N Islands | 37.53 | 18.77 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 62.1 | 31.05 |
| 31 | Delhi | 148.62 | 74.31 |
| 32 | Dadra & N Haveli | 34.8 | 17.40 |
| 33a | Daman | 15.03 | 7.52 |
| 33b | Diu | 8.16 | 4.08 |
| 34 | Lakshadweep | 5.07 | 2.54 |
| 35 | Pondicherry | 22.4 | 11.20 |
| TOTAL | | 12094.17 | 6047.09 |

The Planning Commission has stated that a sum of Rs.162.97 crore has been allocated for this scheme as per the Demand for grant.The balance of Rs.42.03 crores would be used to meet the commitments of the previous year