

Activities & Achievements Note



**Women & Child Development Department,
Haryana**

**WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
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The Department of Women and Child Development, Haryana, was a part of Social Welfare Department before came into existence on 01.04.1992. Department has been allotted a budget of Rs. 193873.60 Lac in year 2024-25. Total expenditure on various schemes and programmes of the department up to the month of October, 2024 (08.10.24) is Rs. 83315.66Lacs (Approx 42.97% of the allotted budget).

The State Govt. is committed for the empowerment of women so that they may live with dignity in an environment free from violence & discrimination, contribute equally in the development process of the society and well nurtured & healthy children with full opportunity for growth and development in a safe and protective environment. The main aim / objective of the department is to promote social and economic empowerment of women through policies/programmes, spreading awareness about the children's rights and facilitating their access to learning, nutrition, institutional support etc.

Today, schemes and programmes of department are being implemented through three major missions w.e.f. August 1, 2022:

1. Mission Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0,
2. Mission Vatsalya and
3. Mission Shakti, department

A. SCHEMES RELATED TO CHILDREN

1. Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS)

ICDS is a Flagship Scheme of Govt. to improve the health, nutritional, psychological and social development status of children of 0-6 years and to reduce mortality, malnutrition and school dropouts. ICDS Scheme is one of the world's largest and most unique programmes for early childhood development.

At present under ICDS Scheme, there are 148 sanctioned projects (127 Rural + 21 Urban Projects) and 25962 including 512 Mini AWCs sanctioned Anganwadi Centres out of this 4000 AWCs upgraded in to Play Schools.

(a) Objectives

- i. Improve the nutritional and health status of children in the age group of 0-6 years.
- ii. Lay the foundation for proper psychological, physical and social development of the child.

- iii. Reduce the incidence of mortality, morbidity, malnutrition and school dropouts.
- iv. Achieve effective co-ordination of policy and implementation among various departments with a view to promote child development.
- v. Enhance the capability of the mother to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child through proper health and nutrition education.

(b) Services

Under this scheme, the following six services are provided to children (0-6 years) , pregnant and lactating women in an integrated manner:-

- i. Supplementary Nutrition
- ii. Immunization
- iii. Health Check-up
- iv. Referral Services
- v. Pre-School Education
- vi. Nutrition & Health Education

The number of beneficiaries of six services up to the month of August, 2024 is as under:-

| S. No. | Services | Mother's | Children's |
|--------|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| 1 | Supplementary Nutrition | 266379 | 926995 |
| 2 | Immunization | 130762 | 451707 |
| 3 | Health Check up | 77738 | 162156 |
| 4 | Referral Services | 9101 | 10879 |
| 5 | Pre-School Education | ----- | 291873 |
| 6 | Nutrition & Health Education | 602097 | ----- |

i. Anganwadi Centers (AWCs)

Haryana Govt. has initiated steps to provide infrastructural support to AWCs. Presently 9964 Anganwadi Centers are running from departmental buildings. Anganwadi Centre is the focal point for delivery of ICDS services. Govt. of India has envisaged the Anganwadi Centre as a vibrant Early Childhood Centre (ECC). State Govt. has equipped the Anganwadi Centre with following services:-

- Attractive and colourful tables and chairs (Set of 4 Tables and 16 Chairs) to 16616

Anganwadis worth Rs.19.65 crore from state funds under ICDS scheme during the 2020- 21.

- All AWCs have been provided three types of swings with an expenditure of Rs. 16.94 crore during 2020-21.
- Gas Connection has been provided in almost all Anganwadi Centers.
- During the year 2021-22 and 2022-23 the following items were provided in AWCs:-

| Sr.No. | Name of Item | Quantity |
|--------|---|---|
| 1 | Small Tables &Chairs | Table-20000 (Play School) |
| | | Chair-80000 (Play School) |
| 2 | Electric UV Water Purifiers | 4000 (Play School) |
| 3 | Office Tables, Chairs and Almirahs | Table-4000(Play School) |
| | | Chair-8000 (Play School) |
| | | Almirah-4000 (Play School) and153 (Creche) |
| 4 | Soft Cotton Hand Towels (Medium &Large) | MediumTowel-16000(Play School) |
| | | LargeTowel-16000(Play School) |

ii. Opening of 4000 play schools for children aged 3 to 6 years

4000 playschools have been made operational by implementing the Budget / CM Announcement no. 69 (i) of Year 2020-2021. To achieve this end, 4000 AWCs were upgraded into playschools to provide quality pre-school education to children in the age group of 3-6 Years. 979 playschools are located in department owned buildings whereas 1424 playschools are located in the school premises and 950 playschools are co-located within the government primary schools premises in departmental buildings. Rest of 647 playschools are functioning in Choupals or Panchayat Buildings or rented buildings. 50419 children are presently enrolled in these 4000 playschools across the state till today. Department has provided play school kits in 4000 playschools including teaching and learning material. All Playschools are being managed by well-trained Anganwadi Workers. Focus is to revamp the infrastructure of AWCs, strengthen the cadre and to institutionalized preschool education in the state.

Curriculum for pre-school education is devised by the department which has been approved by SCERT. The curriculum developed for pre-school education is as per the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Assessment of the play school Children

Observation and assessment activities were conducted on the performance of children and report card of each child was prepared on the five development areas identified for assessment of the children in play school, which are, social, emotional, physical, language, cognitive, pre-math, social and emotional development in the month of August, December and March of 2023 corresponding baseline, mid-line and end-line assessment respectively. Baseline assessment for year 2024 has already been conducted in the month of August and a dashboard has been designed to use the data at each level.

iii. Additional 4000 play schools

Additional 4000 playschools were announced to be opened through CM announcement no. 123 in the budget speech of Hon'ble Chief Minister in year 2023-2024. These 4000 playschools will be made operational in two phases of 2000 each. 2000 additional playschools are under process of implementation and sooner these will be made functional towards the implementation of CM Announcement.

iv. 500 New crèches for the children of working women in the State

Through CM Announcement no. 69 (ii) in budget speech 2021, Hon'ble Chief Minister announced to open 500 new crèches for the children in age group of 6 months to 6 years of working women. Out of these 500 crèches, 197 crèches are the stand alone crèches and have been made functional. Besides it, 303 Anganwadi Centres have been upgraded into crèches in different districts and now 3670 working women are going in these crèches. In this way, CM Announcement on crèches has been implemented and all the 500 crèches are now functional. The state policy for crèches has been notified in the gazette of Haryana vide notification no. 45/01/2023-3SW, dated- 24 July 2023. To make the creches a viable and living units, department has already supplied the growth monitoring devices, utensils, and miscellaneous items of daily use. For the supply of stationary, fun riders and playing items and plastic items, order has been placed on Gem. For these above mentioned items, funds at the tune of approximately Rs. 2.58 crores has been allotted.

Honorarium of a creche worker is Rs. 15000/ month which is highest in India which was raised by the state government in March, 2024 from Rs. 3000.

v. Supplementary Nutrition Programme

Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) is a major programme of the department to supplement the nutrition for the beneficiaries of ICDS which includes children of the age 6 months to 6 years and Pregnant/Lactating mothers. 600 calories and 18-20 gm proteins is provided to pregnant and lactating mothers whereas children receive 500 calories and 12-15 gm protein @ Rs. 8 per child. In case of severely mal-nourished children, 800 calories and 20-25

gm. protein @ Rs. 12 per child per day for 300 days in a year whereas lactating and pregnant mother receives 600 calories and protein 18-20 gm @ Rs. 9.50/-per mother. Presently 9.26 lakh children and 2.66 lakh pregnant/ lactating mothers are covered under this programme. The recipes provided under ICDS are Poshtik Panjiri, Bharwa Parantha, Aloo Puri, Meetha Chawal, Meetha Dalia, Pulao and Bajra Mixture etc. The expenditure of SNP is being shared by Centre & State in the ratio of 50:50.

vi. Fortification of Food

Under fortification programme, many initiatives have been taken by the government such as fortification of panjiri has started in both the panjiri plants at Gurugram & Gharounda and supplied in urban projects of the state. Fortified wheat flour and fortified oil is supplied in all the districts through HAFED where as fortified rice is supplied in all districts by FCI. Fortified salt is being procured through E-Tender at state level.

vii. Mukhya Mantri Doodh Uphaar Yojna

To improve the health and nutritional status of children and mothers and to improve the attendance of children in the Aanganwadis. Mukhya Mantri Doodh Uphaar Yojna was launched by Hon’ble Chief Minister, Haryana on 05.08.2020. Under the scheme, 200 ml of fortified skimmed milk in two flavours will be distributed for two days in a week to approximately 7.77 lakh children(1-6years) and approximately 2.66 lakh pregnant and lactating mothers, who are registered as beneficiaries in Aanganwadi centres (AWCs) across the state were given in Financial year 2023-24. During the year 2024-25 Government has accorded approval for providing food in the form of Ready to Eat (RTE) Take Home Ration (THR), the department would be providing Instant Kheer (RTE-1) and Protein Milk Bar (RTE-2) and the Skimmed milk powder for two days each in a week under this scheme. Fortified milk is distributed for at least 300 days in a year. This skimmed milk powder is fortified with Vitamin-A and D-3 as per the specifications of Food Safety & Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).

(vi) Location of Anganwadi Centres

| Functioning AWCs | AWCs in own constructed Buildings | AWCs in other Govt. Buildings | AWC in Schools | AWCs in Private/Rented Buildings | Total |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------|
| 25962 | 9964 | 7112 | 2657 | 6229 | 25962 |

- **Provision of Solar Energy in Anganwadi Centres**

State Government has decided to provide solar energy in all the 25962 Anganwadi Centres for the purpose to create healthy, clean and safe atmosphere to the beneficiaries of Anganwadi Centres. Under this project, 3 LED lights and 2 fans will be provided in each Anganwadi Centre. During the first phase, 9500 Anganwadi Centres which are running in the government building will be covered, out of which installation in 5108 anganwadi centres have been completed.

(vii) Construction of Anganwadi Centres

The scheme for construction of buildings of Anganwadi Centres was started in the year 2002-03 with an objective to provide clean and peaceful environment to the children and women beneficiaries of ICDS and other related schemes at village level and to create assets for them. AWC is not merely an AWC but a focal point for village women where they can feel themselves free and can discuss freely issues related to women & children.

During the year 2024-25, there is a budget provision of Rs. 5800.69 lakhs for construction of Anganwadi Centres. In the financial year 2023-24 an amount of Rs. 1483.90 Lakh for 145 under construction Anganwadi Centres and Rs. 985.00 lakh rupees released for the repair of 914 Anganwadi Centres.

(viii) Training of ICDS Functionaries

The training of ICDS functionaries is a continuous process. Middle Level Training Centre (MLTC) for Supervisors is being run through Women's Awareness & Management Academy (WAMA), Rai, Distt. Sonapat. The training of ICDS functionaries including AWW, Supervisors and WCDPOs is being conducted by Institute National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, New Delhi and Mohali Institute including the subjects of Mission Shakti , Mission Saksham Anganwadi services and Mission vatsalya of the department on regular basis.

(ix) Scheme of Improving Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices.

To reduce malnutrition among children, the scheme of Improving Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices has been implemented. Anganwadi Workers were trained through Master Trainers to equip them with knowledge and skill and enable them to create awareness and counseling of mothers more effectively. A sum of Rs. 20.00 lakh has been provided in the budget for the year 2024-25 during this financial year.

(x) Insurance Scheme for Anganwadi Workers and Helpers

Surakshit Bima Yojna

The State Govt. has implemented this scheme w.e.f 01.01.2008 Rs. 100/- is being invested to LIC every month out of which Rs. 83/- is in the form of saving and Rs. 17/- is as risk premium for an AWW/Helper who has completed one year of her service Rs. 50,000/- will be given to AWW/Helper on her sudden death in terms of insurance and balance amount of Rs.83/-will be deposited every year which will be given to her with interest the age of 60 years on her retirement.

(xi) Anganwadi Adoption Programme–Hamari Phulwari

State Govt. has introduced a new scheme of Hamari Phulwari under Anganwadi Adoption Programme. This scheme will prove an innovative medium for the panchayat, municipal councils, individual personalities, corporate sector, civil organizations for contribution in the development of Haryana State. The aim of this scheme is to make anganwadi centres more attractive, child friendly and convert these centres into modernized pattern, so that parents feel proud in sending their children to anganwadi centres for non- formal preschool education and other activities related to their physical and mental development. Since the inception of the Scheme 1173 anganwadi centres have been adopted. Under the programme donations of various items for the use in AWCs have been received and also contributions have been received for repair of anganwadi centres & toilets.

(xii) Aapki Beti-Hamari Beti

In order to curb the problem of declining sex ratio a scheme named “Aapki Beti Hamari Beti” has been introduced by the present Govt. in the State. The existing Ladli Scheme has been subsumed into this scheme. Under the scheme all scheduled caste and below poverty line (BPL) families whose first girl child is born on or after 22nd January 2015, all families whose second girl child is born on or after 22nd January 2015 and 3rd girl child w.e.f. 24-08-2015 irrespective of their caste, creed, religion, income and number of sons will receive Rs. 21000/- (One Time). This amount will be invested in group scheme Aapki Beti Hamari Beti of Life Insurance Corporation of India, Chandigarh and the matured amount of approximately Rs. 1,00,000/- will be given to the girl after completing the age of 18 years provided, she should be unmarried at that time. Till now 516290 beneficiaries have been covered. During the current financial year 2024-25, 29382 beneficiaries have been covered up to the Month of September, 2024. A sum of Rs. 21500.00 lakh is provided in the budget for the year 2024-25, out of which a sum of Rs. 7473.88 lakh has been spent up to the month of, September, 2024.

1. Poshan Abhiyaan

Poshan Abhiyaan was launched by Hon^{ble} Prime Minister on 8th March, 2018 in Jhunjhunu district of Rajasthan. The focus of Abhiyaan is to lay emphasis on nutritional status of

adolescent girls, pregnant women, lactating mothers and children aged 0-6years. The programme through use of technology, convergence and community involvement with a targeted approach strives to reduce the level of stunting, under-nutrition, anemia and low birth weight in children thus holistically addressing malnutrition.

The Abhiyaan is being implemented in all districts of Haryana. In phase-I Nuh and Panipat districts were selected. 10 districts, namely Kaithal, Karnal, Kurukshetra, Bhiwani, Yamuna Nagar, Gurugram, Palwal, Rohtak, Sirsa and Sonapat were covered in phase-II and remaining districts were covered in the Phase III.

Community Based Events (CBE) is being celebrated on 8th& 22nd of every month in all anganwadis. 259435 CBEs have been conducted during the year 2024-25 from April, 2024 to August, 2024 on various themes such as Annaprasan Diwas, Suposhan Diwas, celebrating coming of age – getting ready for preschool at AWC, Messages related to public health for improvement of nutrition and to reduce illness etc.

Village Health Sanitation Nutritional Day (VHSND) is being conducted regularly on 15th of every month in convergence with Health Department and Gram Panchayat. 128914 VHSND have been conducted during the year 2024-25 from April, 2024 to August, 2024.

In addition to this, Swasthya Raksha Kit was supplied to all 25962 Anganwadi Centres.

Poshan Tracker:- The new Poshan Tracker App has been developed by Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India to ensure real time monitoring of provisioning supplementary nutrition for improving nutritional status of beneficiaries and providing real time information for prompt supervision and management of services. The trainings are being given to Supervisor and Poshan Staff, AWWs regarding the data feeding on Poshan Tracker App. Data feeding in various component on Poshan Tracker August, 2024 is given below:-

Data feeding in various components on PoshanTracker (August 2024)

| Sr.No. | | Nameof component | No. | % |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|-------|
| 1 | Supplementary Nutrition Programme | Atleast1 day | 1170691 | 86.97 |
| | | Atleast25 day | 814054 | 60.48 |
| 2 | | Measuring Efficiency | 1696919 | 97.23 |
| 3 | Underweight | Severely Underweight (SUW) | 16625 | 0.98 |
| | | Moderately Underweight (MUW) | 131396 | 7.74 |
| 4 | Wasting | Severely Acute Malnourished (SAM) | 11173 | 0.79 |
| | Wasting | Moderately Acute Malnourished | 48604 | 3.46 |

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|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|-------|
| | | (MAM) | | |
| 5 | Stunted | Severely Stunted (SS) | 160380 | 9.45 |
| | | Moderately Stunted (MS) | 263660 | 15.54 |
| 6 | Verified beneficiaries | Adhar verified beneficiaries | 1850126 | 94.08 |
| | | Mobile verified beneficiaries | 770340 | 39.17 |

Smartphone:- During the F.Y 2023-2024 Smart, 28484 mobile phones have been supplied to the districts for the use of Anganwadi Workers (AWWs), Supervisors and WCDPOS to implement the various schemes of the department such as Poshan Tracker, Bal Samvardhan etc. through mobile apps more effectively and in a transparent manner as per the timeline. Smartphones have been used by field functionaries to implement the various schemes of the department.

2. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)

Govt. of India has launched “Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana” (PMMVY) on 01.01.2017. This scheme is being implemented in all the districts of the State in accordance with the provision of the National Food Security Act, 2013 with cost sharing ratio between the Centre and the State 60:40. Under this scheme pregnant and lactating mother is being paid Rs. 5000/- in three installments. First installment (on early registration of pregnancy), second installment (after 6 month of pregnancy) and third installment (at child birth registration and child received 1st cycle of immunization) paid to the beneficiaries on fulfilling specific conditions related to maternal and child health to partly compensate for wage lose to mothers / women during pregnancy and period of lactation. The scheme has been expanded by Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt. of India w.e.f from 01.04.2022. The women can avail benefit for the first two living children provided that second child is a girl. In case of the first child the amount of Rs. 5000/- in two installments and for the second child, the benefit of Rs. 6000/- will be provided subject to the second child is a girl child in one installment after the birth. From April, 2017 to March, 2023 148283 beneficiaries have been covered with an expenditure of Rs. 72.86 Crore. From April, 2023 to September, 2024, 79645 eligible beneficiaries are covered/ benefited under PMMVY Portal 2.0 with expenditure of Rs. 24.79 Crores.

3. Child Protection Services (CPS)

Child Protection Services (CPS) is an umbrella scheme under which various schemes for children in need of care and protection, and children in conflict with law are covered. The programme is being implemented through Haryana State Child Protection Society (HSCPS). The children in need of care and protection are being provided Institutional as well as Non Institutional

Care under the scheme. For providing Non Institutional Care, State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) has been set up at State level. Child Welfare Committees (CWCs) and Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs) have been set up in all the districts for the effective implementation of Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Amendment Act 2015 (as amended 2021). At the District level the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and District Child Protection Committee under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner has been constituted. The State has created a Juvenile Justice Fund for providing facilities to the juveniles.

Two Broad Categories of Children under CPS

1. Children in Conflict with Law

The State of Haryana has 3 Observation Homes (Ambala, Faridabad (for Boys) and Karnal (for Girls) as per section 47 of JJ Act, 2015 (as amended 2021) and 1 Special Home (for Boys at Sonapat) as per Section 48 of JJ Act, 2015 (as amended 2021) and 3 Place of Safety (for Boys), Karnal and Faridabad as per section 49 of JJ Act, 2015 (as amended 2021).

2. Children in Need of Care and Protection

Under the broad spectrum of Children in Need of Care and Protection, the state of Haryana has 69 Child Care Institutions (3 Observation Homes, 1 Special Home, 3 Place of Safety, 47 Children Homes, 9 Open Shelter Homes, and 6 Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAA"s) which are running (by Govt., Semi Govt. and Private Organizations). These Child Care Institutions are spread across all the 22 districts of Haryana and covering approximately 2200 children. All Child Care institutions are registered under section 41(1) of JJ Act, 2015 (as amended 2021).

Services provided through Child Protection Services

I. Institutional Service

For care, protection, treatment, development and rehabilitation of the children in need of care and protection, there are 69 Child Care Institutions (Govt., Semi Govt. and Private) in Haryana State. Under Child Protection Services for maintenance of children Rs. 2000/- per child per month is being provided. Further, in Govt. institutions additional Rs.1000/- per child per month is provided by State Govt. Other facilities like educational, medical, vocational and recreational etc are being provided to the children residing in these Child Care Institutions.

Open Shelter Homes

Open Shelter Home caters to the children particularly beggars, child sexual substances, street and working children etc. These homes complement the existing institutional care facilities to children and are not meant to provide permanent residential facilities. Presently in Haryana 9 Open Shelter Homes are running in various districts.

II Non Institutional Services:

- I. Implementation of Adoption Programme:** Since, 2013 to till date, total 639 children (522 in-country and 117 inter country) have been placed under adoption.
- II. Sponsorship and Foster Care Scheme:** Since, 2013 to till date, total 6166 children (5836 sponsorship and 330 foster care) have been enrolled under sponsorship and foster care scheme.
- III. Cradle Points:** 194 Cradle have been established in the state and more than 1003 children have been recommended through these cradle points.
- IV. Mukhya mantri Baal Sewa Yojana (MMBSY):** MMBSY aims to rehabilitate and assist children below 18 years of age who have lost both their parents / surviving parent / legal guardian / adoptive parent (s) due to COVID-19. The scheme has been notified on 16.6.2021. In the financial year 2021-22, Total 92 Children beneficiaries with an amount of Rs. 29.41 lakh and in the current financial year 2022-23, an amount of Rs. 36.12 lakh have been released for 90 beneficiaries of MMBSY. For the year 2023-24, an amount of Rs. 33.22 lakh have been released to 86 beneficiaries of MMBSY.
- V. Harihar Policy:** The policy provides Educational, Financial and Employment benefits to the Abandoned and Surrendered Children who have completed the age of 18 years from the Child Care Institutions of the State and were abandoned before the age of 5 years or surrendered before the age of 1 year. The policy has been notified on 20.7.2021. Total 6 Children have been provided financial benefit where as 11 children have been given Govt. Job on compassionate ground under Group C and D.

Security Mechanisms in Child Care Institutions (CCIs)

1. Monitoring and Supervision of Child Care Institution

State and District Level Inspection Committees have been notified on 27-07-2012 and 24.05.2017 for periodical inspections and reporting. 257 State and 1241 District Level Inspections have been conducted from 2012 till date.

2. Training and Awareness Generation

Various training programmes have been conducted by NIPCCD, New Delhi and the State Head Quarter to train the Chairpersons and Members of Juveniles Justice Board, Child Welfare Committees, DCPS functionaries, ICPS functionaries and Officials from Child Care Institutions (CCIs). During this financial year, 28 trainings have been conducted by the NIPCCD and 10 by State Government.

3. Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO), 2012

The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences" POCSO Act, 2012 has been enacted with the power to deal with child sexual abuse cases. The act which came into effect from 14th November, 2012, highlights ,Child-Friendly Provisions for reporting, recording of evidences, investigation and speedy trial of offences through special courts. The act aims to protect the best interest of the child at every stage of the judicial process. In Haryana State, the following initiatives have been taken in regard to POCSO act:

- **Constitution of Special Court and Fast Track Special Courts:** exclusive POCSO courts in 12 districts (Ambala, Bhiwani, Faridabad, Gurugram, Jind, Karnal, Nuh, Palwal, Panipat, Rohtak, Sonapat and Yamunanagar) and additional Court for Rape and POCSO cases in 4 (Hisar, Sirsa, Fatehabad and Kurukshetra).
- **Provision of Special Relief under rule 8 of POCSO Rules:** In total 747 cases identified for Special Relief, an amount of Rs. 1.21 Crore up to September, 2024 has been dispersed for the said relief.
- **Haryana State Commission for Protection of Child Rights**

Haryana State Commission for Protection of Child Rights is also functional in the State with it's headquarter at Panchkula.

5. Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG)

Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) has been universalized w.e.f 01.04.2018 and has totally replaced the Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY). The scheme covers out of school girls in the age group of 14-18 years only in Mewat district from year 2022-23 with following objectives:-

- i. Enable the Adolescent Girls (AG's) for self-development and empowerment.
- ii. Improve their nutrition and health status
- iii. Promote awareness about health, hygiene, nutrition.
- iv. Support out of school AG to successfully transition back to formal schooling or bridge learning / skill training.
- v. Upgrade their home-based skills and life skills
- vi. Provide information/guidance about existing public services such as Primary Health Centres, Rural Hospitals/CHCs, Post Office, Bank, Police Station, etc.

A package of seven services would be provided to the adolescent girls namely nutrition provision, Iron and Folic Acid (IFA) supplementation, health check-up and referral services, Nutrition & Health Education (NHE), mainstreaming out of school girls to join formal schooling/bridge course /skill training, Life Skill Education and Counseling/Guidance on accessing public services. 13439 beneficiaries have been identified to be benefited during the current year 2024-25, out of which 1451 girls have been provided nutrition in the month of September, 2024. A sum of Rs. 352.59 lakh has been provided in the APIP for the year 2024-25 and 12.68 lakh has been spent up to the month of September, 2024.

6. SCHEMES RELATED TO WOMEN

(i) Haryana State Commission for Women

Haryana State Commission for Women has been strengthened by giving it statutory status. Now the Haryana State Commission for Women Act- 2012 is in operation and has the powers of civil court to investigate/examine all matters relating to women and for summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person, requiring the discovery and production of any document, requisitioning any public record from any public office. During the current year 1102 complaints have been received by the commission and out of which 676 complaints have been resolved. A sum of Rs 240.00 lakh has been provided in the budget for the year 2024-25.

(ii) Scheme for Relief and Rehabilitation of Women Acid Victims.

Haryana Government is implementing a scheme for Relief and Rehabilitation of Women Acid Victims under which the assistance is provided to the victims of acid attack, who are residents of Haryana and have become victims of acid attack in Haryana.

Under the scheme victim is entitled to receive free of cost 100% medical treatment from the Govt./Govt. approved hospitals. This amount will be reimbursed by the WCD Department. Under the scheme adhoc relief of Rs. 1.00 lakh, is provided to the acid attack victim. 18 women Acid Victims and 1 child have been covered under this scheme since inception. A sum of Rs. 30.00 lakh has been provided for the year 2024-25, out of which a sum of Rs. 2.01 lakh has been spent up to the month of September, 2024.

(i) Protection of Women from Domestic Violence

The State Govt. has taken a unique initiative by appointing 22 Protection-cum-Child Marriage Prohibition Officers (PPOs) at district level to implement the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 and Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006, the office of Protection-cum-Child Marriage Prohibition Officers has been set up in the premises of Mahila Police Station. 30 service providers like Haryana State Social Welfare Board, District Red Cross Society and District Child Welfare Council etc. have been selected for providing necessary

assistance to the aggrieved persons in the State. All Govt. Hospitals, PHCs and CHCs have been notified for medical facility and 2 Shelter Homes have also been notified for providing shelters to the needy women under this Act. The status during the current financial year up to September, 2024 is as under:-

| Particular | Complaint Received | Complaint Resolved |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Domestic Violence Act | 4316 | 1157 |
| Child Marriage Act | 170 | 85 |

A sum of Rs.220.00 lakh has been provided in the budget for the year2024-25, out of which a sum of Rs. 83.39 lakh has been spent up to September, 2024.

(iv) Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace

State Govt. is committed to provide protection of women from sexual harassment at work place and their right to work with dignity. For this purpose, the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 is being enforced. All the Government Departments, Boards, Corporations and Commissions have been directed to constitute Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) in their respective departments. All Deputy Commissioners have been notified as district officers under the said Act. Local Complaints Committee have constituted in all the districts. Similar Committees are being constituted in private organizations employing 10 women. The status during the current financial year up to September, 2024 is as under:-

| Particular | Complaint Received | Complaint Resolved |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Internal Complaint Committee | 15 | 15 |
| Local Complaint Committee | 168 | 163 |

(v) Working Women Hostel

Working Women Hostels are functioning in the State to provide availability of safe and convenient accommodation to working women located near their working place with day care facility for their children (girls up to the age of 18 years and boys up to the age of 5 years accompanying working mother) wherever possible, in urban, semi urban, or even rural areas. Working women, who may be single, widow, divorced, separated, married, whose husband or immediate family does not reside in the same city as well as women who are under training for more than 1 year are eligible. 20 Working Women Hostels in the State out of which 7 are functional at Rohtak (2), Hisar, Panchkula, Kurukshetra, Gurugram and Faridabad. At present 323 women's are residing in these Working Women Hostels. As per the notification of Right to Services Act, Districts have been given instructions to immediately set up temporary residence for

Working Women Hostel in their district and proposal has been asked from the Deputy Commissioners for construction & permanent building for Working Women Hostel in their district. A new proposal for construction of Working Women Hostel at Gurugram and Faridabad has been submitted by Haryana Women Corporation. According to budget announcement 2022-23 Workingwomen Hostel are to be constructed at Faridabad, Panchkula and Gurugram.

(vi) Widows and Destitute Homes (Mahila Ashram)

The department is running homes for widows and destitute women at Karnal and Rohtak to provide accommodation, maintenance and clothing allowance, education and training to the young widows and destitute women for their rehabilitation. At present 63 families along with 39 dependents are residing in these Homes as per detail given below:-

| Sr. No. | Name of Mahila Ashram | Capacity | No. of Families Residing | No.of Dependents | Total Member |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Karnal | 72 | 32 | 20 | 52 |
| 2 | Rohtak | 116 | 31 | 19 | 50 |
| | Total | 188 | 63 | 39 | 102 |

(vii) State after Care Home for Girls, Karnal (Nari Niketan)

Revised guidelines have been formulated to operate “The Haryana State After Care Home for Girls (Nari Niketan) and reconstitution of District Advisory Committee.” The aim of these guidelines is to regulate the administration of the State After Care Home for Girls (Nari Niketan) in order to provide institutional care, protection, social security, maintenance, education and training to such girls/women who have no means of subsistence or have been rescued from moral danger or are exposed to moral danger with a view to make them self- reliant and become ultimately useful members of the society. The inmates are provided free boarding, lodging, clothing, education, training and medical facilities and efforts are made to rehabilitate them. Training in different trades like stitching, embroidery, knitting etc. have been arranged for the inmates through voluntary agencies. At present 26 inmates are residing in the Home against the Capacity of 65. Every woman/girl after her admission got medically examined from a competent Medical Officer and the report on her condition is safely kept in the institution.

An Advisory Committee at District Level under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner has been constituted to guide the administration of the institution on various matters.

(viii) Women Helpline-181

Women Helpline has been functional since 03 Dec, 2018. Women helpline provides 24X7 immediate services to women suffered from violence through various govt. agencies such as One

Stop Centers (OSCs), Protection-cum-Prohibition Officer (PPOs) of the respective districts. Women helpline 181 has been integrated with ERSS. Women helpline has assisted a total of 20174 women from the date of inception to till September, 2024. Daily and weekly feedback is also taken by the staff of Women Helpline – 181.

7. **Beti Bachao-Beti Padhao Programme**

Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Programme was launched by Hon“ble Prime Minister on 22.01.2015 at Panipat with an objective to prevent gender biased sex selective elimination, ensure survival, education & empowerment of the girl child. The efforts made by the State Government have shown encouraging results and become a role model for others. The sex ratio at birth in Haryana which was 833 as per 2011 census which has been further improved to 912 up to the month of May, 2024.

The Government of India has honoured the State with various awards, detail there of is as under:-

| Sr.No. | Year | Details |
|---------------|-------------|---|
| 1 | 08.03.2016 | Improving sex ratio at birth |
| 2 | 24.01.2017 | Yamunanagar district for exemplary performance in the field of Girl Education |
| 3 | 08.03.2018 | District Sonapat for implementation of PC & PNDT Act |
| 4 | 24.01.2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haryana State for Overall Support, Guidance, Monitoring and achieving the targets of BBBP”. • “Effective Community Engagement”- District Karnal • “Enforcement of Pre Conception & Pre Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act (PC&PNDTAct)”–DistrictKurukshetra • “Enabling Girls Child Education”–DistrictJhajjar |
| | 06.09.2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haryana has been recognized and selected for good performing State. • Districts Mahendergarh and Bhiwani for outstanding performance in Sex Ratio at Birth over the last 5 years. District Mahendergarh recorded increase of SRB from 745 (in 2014) to 898 (in 2018) ... massive jump of 153 points after launch of B3P till Dec 2018. Bhiwani registered increase in SRB from 834 (2014) to 918 (in 2018) ...increase of 84 points since launch of B3P till Dec 2018. |

Following initiatives have also been undertaken by State Govt. under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Programme: -

(i) **Legal Action**

State Government has initiated a campaign to control and check the violation of PC & PNDT Act and MTP Act. Chief Medical Officers in liaison with Deputy Commissioners are conducting raids and inspecting all ultrasound machines of their respective districts.

Decoy customers are sent to find out the use of unauthorized mobile ultrasound machines and sex pre-determination kits. A State Coordinator has been appointed at CM Secretariat to follow up each individual case of violation of PC & PNDT and MTP Act to ensure conviction. 1207 FIRs have been registered under this Act till August, 2024.

8. Haryana Kanya Kosh

Haryana Kanya Kosh has been constituted for the welfare and development of girls and women of Haryana. The said Kosh aims to generate an environment in which the girls are provided with the equal opportunities for their growth and empowerment. The Kosh shall be utilized to provide funds and other inputs for Apki Beti Humari Beti scheme for the welfare of the girl child and for any other initiative for the welfare and development of the girls/women. This Kanya Kosh can receive donations cash and surcharge for achievement of the objectives of the said fund. Two Committees have been formulated under the said Kosh- the State Level Governing Committee and the Executive Committee. An appeal of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Haryana regarding donations for Haryana Kanya Kosh Society by individual, corporate houses and other institutions was published in the newspapers. The certificate of registration of Haryana Kanya Kosh u/s 12AA as a "Charitable Society" has been issued by Commissioner of Income Tax Department. Rs. 54.22 lakh utilized till date out of sum of Rs.64.27 lakh deposited through donation.

9. Sukanya Samriddhi Account

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India launched the Scheme "Sukanya Samriddhi Account" on 22nd January, 2015 at Panipat on the occasion of launching of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Programme with the objective to address gender imbalance in the society and changing positive mind set towards girl child. Under the scheme account can be opened from the birth of the girl child till she attains the age of 10 year. Account can be opened by an amount of Rs.1000/- and in a financial year investment ceiling is Rs. 1,50,000/-. Till now 5708 accounts have been opened in Post Offices.

10. One Stop Centre "Sakhi"

One Stop Centre have been set in all the districts in phased manner to provide integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence, both in private and public space under one roof and to facilitate immediate, emergency and non-emergency access to a range of services including medical, legal, psychological and counseling. One Stop Centre has been set up in all Districts of Haryana. One Stop Centres have been working in integration with Women Helpline 181 to provide support and assistance to women affected by violence. One Stop Centre has dealt total 46565 cases from the date of inception to till September, 2024 across the State of Haryana.

One Stop Centres have been integrated with Emergency Response System 112 (ERSS).

11. Mahila Evam Kishori Samman Yojna

Mahila Evam Kishori Samman Yojna was launched by Hon^{ble} Chief Minister, Haryana on 05.08.2020. It is a glaring fact of our society that women and adolescent girls are lacking in the knowledge and management of Menstrual Hygiene.

12. Sports Meet for Rural Women

As far as sports activities are concerned apart from few opportunities available at schools/colleges, rural women are hardly exposed to sports and recreation. Hence, the scheme of Sports Meet for Rural Women was started during the year 2005-06. Sports Meets Scheme has been modified by dividing all events into two age groups. Sports events include Potato Race, Matka Race and 100 Meter Race for the women above the age of 30 years while 300 Meter Race, 400 Meter Race and 5 Km. Cycle Race for the girls/women below the age of 30 years. The Sports Meet of Rural Women is organized at block, district and State level. The woman who attains 1st position in various events organized at district level participates in the State Level Sports Meet. The women securing 1st, 2nd and 3rd position at block level are given awards @ Rs. 2100/-, Rs. 1100/- and Rs. 750/- and at district level and state level are given @ Rs. 4100/-, Rs. 3100/- & Rs. 2100/- and Rs. 11000/-, Rs. 8100/- & Rs. 4100/- respectively. Rs.1000/- is given to all the participants on the State Level Sports Meet.

13. SCHEMES RELATED TO AWARDS

(i) State Level Awards for Women.

The State Level Women Awards are given on the occasion of International Women Day every year i.e. 8th March. These awards are given to the women achievers who have done outstanding work in different fields so that they become role models for future generation of Indian women.

The detail of Awards is as under:-

| Sr.No. | Name of Award | Award Money |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Smt. Sushma Swaraj Award | Rs. 5,00,000/- |
| 2 | Indira Gandhi Mahila Shakti Award | Rs. 1,50,000/- |

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| 3 | Kalpana Chawla Shaurya Award | Rs. 1,00,000/- |
| 4 | Behan Shanno Devi Panchayati Raj Award | Rs. 1,00,000/- |
| 5 | Life Time Achievement Award | Rs. 51,000/- |
| 6 | Women Outstanding Achievers Award | Rs. 21,000/- (each) |

(ii) **Incentive Awards for Improvement in Sex Ratio.**

The districts showing improvement in declining sex ratio and securing 1st, 2nd & 3rd positions in the State are given Sex Ratio Awards at district level every year to the tune of Rs. 5.00 lakh, Rs. 3.00 lakh & Rs. 2.00 lakh respectively.

(iii) **Nutrition Award for Improvement in Nutritional Status.**

Nutrition Awards were started from the year 2006-07 to motivate the people and to give recognition to the districts that have brought improvement in the nutrition and health status of children. Nutrition Awards are given to three best districts that have shown maximum improvement in nutritional status of children below 6years. The first prize of Rs. 2.00 lakh, 2nd prize of Rs.1.00 lakh and 3rd prize of Rs. 50,000 are given for obtaining first, second and third position respectively.

(iv) **Best Mother Award**

To encourage women for proper rearing of their children, especially the girl child with a view to improve their nutritional and health status, the scheme of Best Mother Award has been started from the year 2005-06. From the year 2016-17 the present Govt. has enhanced the prize money four times and also enhanced the function money too under this scheme from each circle and each block of ICDS scheme, 3 mothers having at least one girl child are selected for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes, @Rs.4000/-Rs.3000/-andRs.2000/-respectively at block level and Rs.2000/-,Rs.1200/-andRs.800/-at the circle level.

(v) **Adolescent Girls Award Scheme**

In order to encourage rural girls for pursuing higher education, Adolescent Girls Awards Scheme is being implemented under which 3 girls who stood 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their Senior Secondary Examination and Matriculation Examination conducted by Haryana State Education Board from schools in rural areas from each block are given awards. Now, w.e.f.

08.02.2019, adolescent girls of urban areas are also covered. The State Govt. has revised the award money as under:-

| Class | Award Money | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | 1 st Prize | 2 nd Prize | 3 rd Prize |
| Matriculation Examination | 8000/- | 6000/- | 4000/- |
| Senior Secondary Examination | 12000/- | 10000/- | 8000/- |