ODISHA

UNFPA in Odisha has a long-standing history that has made valuable contributions to the development and growth of the state since 1999

This includes strengthening the health system for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), ensuring the availability of family planning commodities, formulation of youth and women empowerment policies, and large-scale school-based interventions on Life-Skills Education (LSE)

THREE PRIORITY DISTRICTS

Nabarangpur

Rayagada

Gajapati

UNFPA's mission is to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled, ensuring rights and choices for all

Our work is guided by the principles of a human-rights-based approach set in place by the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), gender empowerment and equality, and the imperative that no one is left behind

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10th COUNTRY PROGRAMME ODISHA 2023-2027

The 10th country programme envisions an India where every woman and young person, including those from the most vulnerable groups, enjoys gender equality, fully realizes sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights, and fully contributes to sustainable development

In Odisha, the new country programme will galvanize efforts to accelerate the achievement of the three transformative results of UNFPA by:
- Ending preventable maternal deaths
- Ending unmet need for family planning
- Ending gender-based violence and harmful practices, including in humanitarian situations
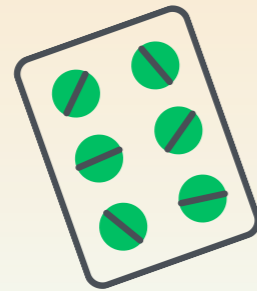
Thematic Focus

The programme will respond to state priorities and contribute towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the unfinished agenda of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD 25+)

Bring demographic and data intelligence to the core of public discourse and policy-making

Strengthen, monitor, and improve contraceptive supply chain management

Promote inclusive education and develop contextualized adolescent education programmes for Adolescents with Disabilities (AwD) in special schools

Focus on vulnerable communities following the principles of 'Leave No One Behind (LNOB)

Promote digital and financial literacy among members of Women Self-Help Groups (WSHGs) , creating awareness among its members on their rights and entitlements

Programmes and Interventions

Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

Strengthening the provision of rights-based sexual reproductive health services

- Provide technical assistance to improve the quality of family planning services in partnership with the Department of Health and Family Welfare, with an expanded basket of contraceptive choices (including the roll-out of two new contraceptives), ease of access to rights-based services, and high-quality systems for planning, monitoring, and reviews at various levels
- Strengthen the health system for improved access to integrated and client-friendly reproductive health services
- Enhance access to information for young people to promote reproductive health and informed choices
- Strengthen health sector response for persons affected by gender-based violence

Adolescent and Youth Development

Strengthening the agency of tribal adolescents in tribal residential schools

- Prototype, pilot, and scale a high-impact programme to enhance the agency and capacities of tribal adolescents and youth, aligned to the five goals of the Government: Transformation, Teamwork, Technology, Transparency, and Timelines
- Ensure tribal adolescents have access to quality life skills education that is in line with international technical guidance
- Develop an LSE programme in partnership with the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Research and Training Institute (SCSTRTI) and the Government of India's flagship School Health and Wellness Programme (SHWP)

Leave No One Behind (LNOB)

Fostering strategic partnerships for advancing the ICPD programme of action, alleviating vulnerabilities, building resilience

- Activate, nurture, and strengthen the collective of Adivasis (tribals) and leverage system-led institutions
- Nurture strategic partnerships with faith-based institutions and leaders
- Leverage contextualized Adolescent Education Programme for AwD in special schools per international technical guidance

Gender and Human Rights

Strengthening Women and Girl Friendly Panchayats in Scheduled Areas

- Create, develop, and test a working model of Women/Girl Friendly Panchayats (for vulnerable communities) for state-level advocacy and up-scaling across all Panchayats

Social Empowerment of Women Self-Help Groups under Mission Shakti

- Promote digital and financial literacy among members of WSHGs supplemented by linkages to commercial e-websites for improving their social and economic development
- Improve awareness of WSHG members on existing legislation and support mechanisms to address violence and discrimination
- Establish partnerships with institutes of repute for knowledge management and technology transfer through adaptive and continuous learning on effective pathways for women's empowerment

Gender-Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)

- Build capacities of government officials and key stakeholders on gender-inclusive DRR, and develop 22 models of gender-inclusive DRR Gram Panchayats across coastal districts

Population Dynamics

Leveraging demographic and data intelligence for accelerating the ICPD Programme of Action

- Position demographic intelligence at the center of sustainable development planning in coordination with the Department of Planning and Convergence
- Improve the access and use of population data and its interlinkages with development schemes for government officials, legislators, CSOs, private sector, media, academia, and the community to design appropriate service delivery mechanisms addressing demographic transitions in the population
- Establish a demographic portal equipped with GIS/Geo-Spatial Information and Data on demography and development indicators
- Enable citizens' access to easy-to-understand data/information, and subsequent use for informed participation in decision-making
- Develop a learning course on unpacking data to deepen the understanding of policymakers and administrators

2027 Vision Statement

- Establish expertise on LNOB with demographic and data intelligence at the heart of programming
- Accelerate progress on UNFPA's three transformative results and the ICPD mandate through advocacy and policy

Nodal Government Departments

- Department of Health and Family Welfare
- Department of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes
- Department of Women and Child Development
- Department of Mission Shakti
- Odisha State Disaster Management Authority
- Department of Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
- Department of Planning and Convergence