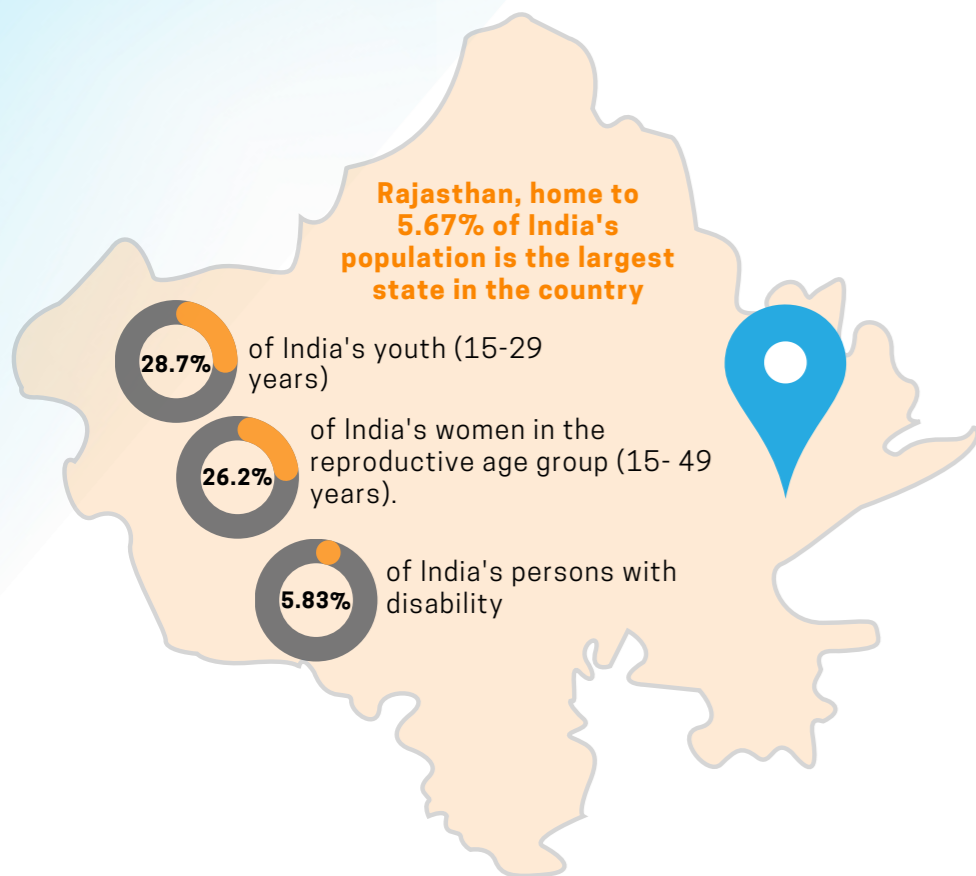


RAJASTHAN

Implementing Districts:

Priority Districts: Udaipur, Sawai Madhopur and Jaisalmer
Aspirational Districts – Baran, Dholpur, Karauli, Jaisalmer, and Sirahi.

UNFPA has been assisting the Government of Rajasthan since 1979 to advance sexual reproductive health and rights and promote gender equality and empowerment of girls, women and young people so that they take control of their bodies and their future.



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 RAJASTHAN 2023-2027



The 10th Country Programme (CP-10) 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 contributes to sustainable development.

In Rajasthan, 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 (GBV) and harmful practices, including in humanitarian situations.

Rajasthan's Changing Demography



Decline in the Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR) from **199**/ one lakh live birth to **113**/per one lakh live birth



Increase in the use of modern family planning methods from **54%** to **64%**



Decline in the rate of child marriage from **35.4%** to **25.4%**

*Source: NFHS-5, SRS 2018-20



Proposed Support



Continued support to the government's flagship programmes: RMNCH+A, Midwifery, Mission Parivar Vikas, Rashtriya Kishore Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK), School Health and Wellness Programme (SHWP), Udaan- Menstrual Health and Hygiene Management, Chirali, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)



Advocate with the government and create a platform for civil society for addressing social norms that impede the state's SDG -5 progress



Play a convening role on issues related to gender-based discrimination and violence and promoting sexual reproductive health and rights



Promote knowledge management, adopt innovative practices, and forge newer partnerships to accelerate the progress of the three transformative results

Programmes and Interventions



Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

- Technical support towards the roll-out of the Midwifery Programme
- Support the government in the introduction of newer contraceptives by facilitating procurement, technical assistance for quality assurance and knowledge sharing.
- Strengthen implementation of national initiatives (LaQshya & SUMAN) to ensure quality, respectful, dignified and assured care, especially for women from marginalized communities
- Ensure the availability of a package of comprehensive SRH services at various levels of public health facilities
- Advocate and pilot SRHR interventions in the context of climate change
- Lead FP 2030 Forum and undertake evidence-based advocacy and policy dialogue on rights-based approaches to reduce unmet needs
- Demonstrate a model towards ensuring commodity security for clients by downstreaming the FPMIS application

Adolescents and Youth

- Provide technical assistance to the Health Department for the implementation of large-scale government programmes
- Advocate for addressing the reproductive health needs of young people and facilitate convergence between the Adolescent Health and Family Planning Programme
- Promote comprehensive sexuality education among young people from marginalized communities including persons with disabilities
- Evidence-based advocacy and engagement with policymakers for greater investment in youth development and participation
- Demonstrate a pilot initiative in collaboration with NYKS to inculcate positive social norms and positive masculinity among men and boys

Gender and Social Norms

- **Girl Friendly Gram Panchayat (GFGP)** -Advocacy, technical support, and capacity-building initiatives for integrating GFGP in the Gram Panchayat Development Plan.
- **Strengthen Multi-Sectoral Response to Violence against Women and Girls**
 - Partner with the Rajasthan Police Academy to strengthen police response to violence against women and girls (VAWG) through capacity building and research initiatives.
 - Partner with the Medical, Health Family Welfare Department to build capacities of medical officers on health-sector response to GBV.
 - Develop a multi-sectoral state strategy and action plan with the Women and Child Department to address VAWG
 - Strengthen the implementation of the Prohibition of the Child Marriage Act and PCPNDT Act by building capacities of child marriage prohibition officers and appropriate authorities
 - Leverage CSO networks to address harmful practices
- **IM Shakti Udaan Scheme on Menstrual Health and Hygiene Management**
 - Generate awareness through knowledge management products and capacity building
 - Promote safe disposal of sanitary napkins by facilitating dialogues with subject experts, departments, and CSOs to develop a policy/guideline on safe disposal
- **Build Capacities of Youth Collectives in Partnership with NYKS, NSS, Scouts and Guides to Initiate Local Actions against GBV, Child Marriage, Harmful Practices and Regressive Social Norms**

Population Dynamics

- Support evidence generation and operations research on tackling social norms and harmful practices
- Create awareness, improve knowledge of policymakers, and advocate for policies on population and its interlinkages with sustainable development
- Invest in the capacity building of staff in data analysis and visualization

Ambitions

By 2027...



3,000 maternal deaths averted Reduce maternal mortality ratio (MMR) from 113 to 80 per 100,000 live births	19,000 teenage pregnancies averted Reduce the proportion of adolescent pregnancy from 3.7% to 1%
2.6 million additional users of modern methods of family planning Increase in demand from 62.1% to 68%	1 million less women facing spousal violence Reduce the proportion of women facing spousal violence from 24.3% to 18%
1.8 million additional women have access to family planning Reduce unmet need of family planning from 7.6% to 3.5%	45,000 child marriages prevented Reduce the proportion of women married before the age of 18 from 25.4% to 15 %
Reduced number of girls missing at birth Increased sex ratio at birth from 891 to 910	

Strategic Partnerships



- Medical Health and Family Welfare
- Department of Women Empowerment
- Rajasthan Council of Secondary Education
- Rajasthan Youth Board, Department of Youth Affairs & Sports
- State Police Academy
- Indira Gandhi Panchayati Raj and Gramin Vikas Sanstha
- Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS)
- Academia and Research Institutes
- Civil Society Organizations, Private Sector, Development Partners & Sister UN agencies