

Child Protection Month

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Child Protection Month was launched in the state on August 24, 2021. It will run from August 24 to September 28, 2021.

Key Points

- Under this, about 26 lakh 40 thousand children in the age group of 9 months to 5 years will be given Vitamin 'A' syrup in the vaccination centers and Anganwadis of the state and About 27 lakh 60 thousand children of 6 months to 5 years will be given iron, folic acid syrup supplements.
- The implementation of the program will be done on the vaccination day to be organized every Tuesday and Friday with the help of ANM and Anganwadi workers.
- Apart from this, vaccines of BCG, Hepatitis B, DPT, OPV, Measles-Rubella and Pentavalent will also be given to the children who have been vaccinated and targeted for routine vaccination.
- During the **Shishu Protection Month**, children will be weighed to make them malnutrition free and highly malnourished children will be identified and treated in nutrition rehabilitation centers to improve their nutritional status.
- During this, supplementary nutritious food will be provided to the malnourished children in Anganwadis also. Parents will be given information about nutritious food according to the age of the children.
- Under the Child Protection Month, counseling will also be given to pregnant women and children during family visits by ANMs and Anganwadi workers.
- Various activities will be organized in health centers and Anganwadis to improve the health of children, in which health, women and child development and education departments will work in coordination.