

# Fish in nutrition scheme

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In news

Odisha to introduce fish and fish-based products in the supplementary nutrition programme for children, pregnant and nursing women, and adolescent girls.

## Key highlights of the scheme

- The proposed programme will start across 50 Anganwadi centres in Mayurbhanj district on a pilot basis
- The state government has signed an MoU with World Fish (NGO) in this regard
- As per the official statement, nearly 1,500 students will be benefited under the programme under the first phase
- Under this scheme, Adolescent girls and pregnant women will be given dried small fish as part of take-home rations.
- The fish powder and dried fish would be sourced from Central Institute of Fisheries Technology, Cochin
- Small fish like anchovy, Indian Sardine and lesser sardine would be given to the beneficiaries in powder form or in packets after being dried.
- Some women self-help groups from the tribal district have been roped in for the programme.