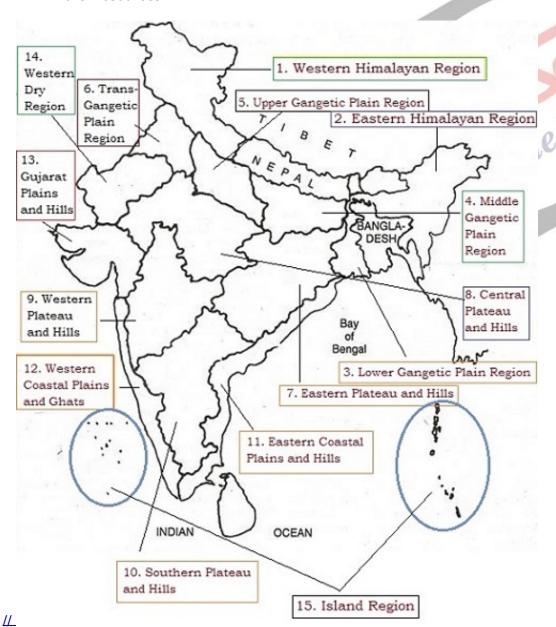


## Bharatiya Poshan Krishi Kosh

The **Ministry of Women and Child Development** has launched the **Bharatiya Poshan Krishi Kosh** (**BPKK**) in New Delhi.

- The BPKK will be a repository of diverse crops across agro-climatic zones in India for better nutritional outcomes.
- The country has been broadly divided into fifteen agricultural regions based on agro climatic features, particularly soil type, climate including temperature and rainfall and its variation and water resources.



- During the launch event, the father of the Green Revolution in India, M S Swaminathan put forward the five-point action programme for making India nutrition secure. These are:
  - Ensure calorie rich diet for women, expectant mothers and children.
  - Ensure intake of proteins in the form of pulses to eradicate protein hunger in women and children.
  - Eradicate hidden hunger due to deficiency of micronutrients like vitamin A, vitamin B, Iron and Zinc.
  - Ensure clean drinking water supply.
  - Spreading nutrition literacy in every village particularly in mothers with children less than 100 days' old.
- The five point action programme also aligns with different <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> such as SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 3 (Good Health and Well Being) and SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation).
- The Government has launched programmes such as <u>POSHAN Abhiyaan</u> and <u>Pradhan Mantri</u>
  <u>Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)</u> to tackle malnutrition prevalent in the country.

