

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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STRENGTHENING OF RCH PROGRAMMES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to strengthen and expand the Reproductive and Child Health(RCH) programme in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the programme thereunder ; and
- (c) the amount of fund proposed to be spent during the current plan period for the implementing the RCH programme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Phase-II of the Reproductive and Child Health Programme (2004-09) is being recognized to strengthen and expand it with a view to provide comprehensive services for maternal health, child health and family planning to achieve the goals set in the National Population Policy 2000. The revised programme is currently underformulation in consultation with all stakeholders including the states and funding agencies.

(c) During the current plan period (Xth 5-year Plan), there is a provision of Rs.7785.50 crores for Reproductive and Child Health Programme.