

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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CHILD MORTALITY RATE

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the increase in the child mortality rate in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the reasons for increase in the child mortality rate; and
- (d) the remedial steps being taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

- (a) The source of information for child mortality is Sample Registration System, Registrar General, Government of India. Child mortality has declined from 26.5 in 1991 to 20.4 in 1999.
- (b) Details are annexed at Annexure-I.
- (c) Child mortality rate has not increased.
- (d) The remedial steps being taken in this regard are:

- 1. National Programme for control of acute respiratory infections.
- 2. National Programme for Control of diarrhoeal diseases.
- 3. Universal Immunization Programme.
- 4. Reproductive and Child Health Programme.

Annexure

Child Mortality rate India and bigger states 1991-99

India and bigger states Year

1991 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999

India 26.5 26.5 23.7 23.9 24.2 23.9 23.1 22.5 20.4

Andhra Pradesh 21.3 20.0 17.1 17.0 19.1 17.8 16.8 18.1 16.6
Assam 32.4 30.5 29.7 24.7 24.7 24.0 26.9 27.5 24.2
Bihar 22.8 26.8 25.3 24.9 28.3 27.9 25.9 22.9 20.6
Gujarat 23.3 23.7 20.7 22.2 19.9 20.4 20.8 19.6 19.7
Haryana 23.0 22.8 20.3 22.3 22.7 23.4 22.2 22.4 19.6
Himachal Pradesh 19.3 17.6 16.1 16.0 17.2 17.6 15.8 16.7 13.0
Karnataka 23.6 21.7 20.0 18.6 18.2 16.6 16.4 16.7 15.4
Kerala 4.3 3.9 3.4 3.4 4.3 3.8 3.2 3.6 3.5
Madhya Pradesh 44.5 38.5 36.9 34.8 33.0 33.5 32.3 32.6 30.4
Maharashtra 16.3 15.9 14.1 14.4 14.9 13.1 12.2 12.7 11.5
Orissa 39.0 33.4 33.7 31.6 32.2 30.6 28.1 29.0 27.4
Punjab 17.0 17.4 16.1 15.7 14.9 15.2 14.9 16.8 14.5
Rajasthan 30.9 33.6 26.2 27.4 29.3 31.4 29.5 27.7 24.9

Tamil Nadu	16.1	15.3	13.6	13.4	14.5	12.6	13.4	13.0	13.2
Uttar Pradesh	35.6	37.8	32.9	33.0	30.8	31.4	31.1	29.6	28.1
West Bengal	20.6	18.4	17.0	19.8	18.6	18.1	16.8	15.0	13.9

CHILD MORTALITY RATES AGED (0-4) YEARS

Sl.No.	STATES	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
1.	Andhra Pradesh	20.7	19.1	17.8	16.8	18.1	16.6
2.	Assam	28.5	24.7	24.0	26.9	27.5	24.2
3.	Bihar	26.2	28.3	27.9	25.9	22.9	20.6
4.	Gujarat	26.0	19.9	20.4	20.8	19.6	17.9
5.	Haryana	21.8	22.7	23.4	22.2	22.4	19.6
6.	Himachal Pradesh	-	17.2	17.6	15.8	16.7	13.0
7.	Karnataka	21.1	18.2	16.6	16.4	16.7	15.4
8.	Kerala	4.6	4.3	3.8	3.2	3.6	3.5
9.	Madhya Pradesh	39.4	33.0	33.5	32.3	32.6	30.4
10.	Maharashtra	16.5	14.9	13.1	12.2	12.7	11.5
11.	Orissa	35.9	32.2	30.6	28.1	29.0	27.4
12.	Punjab	18.3	14.9	15.2	14.9	16.8	14.5
13.	Rajasthan	29.5	29.3	31.4	29.5	27.7	24.9
14.	Tamil Nadu	17.0	14.5	12.6	13.4	13.0	13.2
15.	Uttar Pradesh	38.6	30.8	31.4	31.1	29.6	28.1
16.	West Bangal	19.7	18.6	18.1	16.8	15.0	13.9
	All India	26.3	24.2	23.9	23.1	22.5	20.4

Source : Sample Registration System, Registrar General, India.