GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1730 ANSWERED ON:10.12.2008 FUNDS FOR FAMILY WELFARE PROGRAMMES Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

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

(a) whether the funds allocated to family welfare programmes have been fully utilized;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of funds allocated and spent on family welfare programmes during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) Financial allocation under Family Welfare Programme is made forimplementation of various Centrally Sponsored Schemes viz. Infrastructure Maintenance, Reproductive & Child Health (RCH) Flexible Pool, Mission Flexible Pool, Routine Immunisation, Pulse Polio Immunisation, and Information, Education & Communication (IEC). Details of State-wise releases made during the last three years and the current year 2008-09 and expenditure reported by the States (upto 30.9.2008) are given in Annexure.

The non-utilisation of the releases made is generally on account of factors that hinder the absorptive capacity of States including human resources, infrastructure, and slow pace of implementation of certain components of the Programmes. This is also on account of at times releases being made towards the close of the financial year and the time/processes involved in transfer of funds to the levels below the district.