

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

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PRIMARY HEALTHCARE IN TRIBAL AREAS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to formulate any scheme for the primary healthcare and treatment of severe the diseases in the tribal areas of the country including Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) to (c ) No. Government of India has launched the National Rural Health Mission [NRHM] in 2005 to support all State/UT Governments including Madhya Pradesh to rejuvenate the public health system to provide quality and affordable health care to rural and tribal population. Under the Mission, funds are provided to State/UTs to strengthen their health infrastructure, improve the availability of human resource and improve the service delivery. NRHM gives special focus to 18 States including eight NE States, which have weak public health indicators and/or weak infrastructure . Besides, 140 backward districts based on ranking on 13 DLHS III indicators, districts having considerable population of SC/ST and 33 highly left wing affected districts as prepared by Ministry of Home Affairs were selected for high focused planning. The State/UT Governments were asked to take up activities for such districts on priority and incorporate the same under their annual Programme Implementation Plan[PIPs]. Funds are released to all States/UT Governments as per the approval of National Programme Coordination Committee[NPCC] for utilization .