

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

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ROLE OF NGOS IN NRHM

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

(a) whether the Government proposes decentralized management and accountability by engaging the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for community monitoring at all the levels under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal to revise the NGOs programme in such a manner that presence of quality NGOs for community monitoring and skill development can be crafted from the block to the district to the State levels; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a) & (b) Yes. Government is implementing decentralized management and accountability by engaging NGOs for community monitoring at all levels under NRHM. Community monitoring initiatives have been operationalized in the nine states of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu in the first phase. Civil Society organizations were engaged through the Advisory Group on Community Action to make the public system accountable to the people.

(c) & (d) NRHM provides for partnership with non-governmental organizations. States have the flexibility to engage non-governmental organizations in community monitoring and skill development as per the approved Programme Implementation Plan and financial rules.