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

- (a) the details of `Sabla Scheme` meant for the health of teenage girls in the country;
- (b) the areas identified in the country to cover under the aforesaid scheme; and
- (c) the areas in which the scheme is likely to be implemented initially?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI)

(a) to (c):- As per information received from Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India has approved the implementation of Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for empowerment of Adolescent Girls(SABLA) a centrally sponsored scheme on pilot basis in 200 districts selected across the country. The scheme addresses not only nutrition and health issues but all-round development of adolescent girls. List of the districts as per statement annexed.

'SABLA' aims at empowering girls of 11-18 years by improvement in their nutritional and health status and upgrading various skills like home sill, life skills and vocational skills. It also aims at equipping the girls on family welfare, health hygiene etc. and information and guidance on existing public service. The Scheme also aims to mainstream out of school girls into formal or non-formal education.

Grant-in-aid @ Rs. 3.8 lakh per project per annum, would be released to States/UTs for implementation of the scheme for non-nutrition inputs, in addition to the 50% of nutrition cost @ Rs.5/- per beneficiary per day for 300 days in a year.