

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

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

- (a) the details of institutional deliveries reported during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the number of institutional deliveries in hospital, has decreased; and
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUNDIP BANDYPADHYAY)

- (a) The State-wise details of the institutional deliveries reported during the last three years up to 31st March 2011 is annexed.
- (b) No. As per the data reported by the States, the number of reported institutional deliveries in the country has increased from 1.48 crores in 2008-09 to 1.68 crores in 2010-11.
- (c) Under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) the following steps have been taken to promote institutional deliveries:
  1. Promotion of institutional deliveries through Janani Suraksha Yojana.
  2. Capacity building of health care providers in basic and comprehensive obstetric care.
  3. Operationalisation of sub-centres, Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres and District Hospitals for providing 24x7 basic and comprehensive obstetric services.
  4. Name Based Tracking of Pregnant Women to ensure antenatal, intranatal and postnatal care.
  5. Engagement of more than 8.05 Lakh Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) to generate demand and facilitate accessing of health care services by the community.
  6. Village Health and Nutrition Days in rural areas as an outreach activity, for provision of maternal and child health services.
  7. A new initiative namely Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) has been launched recently, which entitles all pregnant women delivering in public health institutions to absolutely free and no expense delivery including Caesarean section. The initiative stipulates free drugs, diagnostics, blood and diet, besides free transport from home to institution, between facilities in case of a referral and drop back home.