

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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PRE-NATAL HEALTH CHECKUP
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether pre-natal health check up is not being conducted satisfactorily in certain States under Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise;
- (c) whether the JSY is not being implemented properly even after six years; and
- (d) if so, the steps being taken to carry out necessary improvement?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

(a) & (b): As per Coverage Evaluation Survey-2009, mothers who received at least 1 ante-natal check-up is 90.4%. State wise details are Annexed.

Government of India under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) seeks to improve the availability of and access to quality health care including ante natal services particularly to rural population throughout the country, with a special focus on 18 States with weak public health indicators and weak infrastructure. The key steps taken include:

Provision of 4 ante-natal and post natal care services including prevention and treatment of anemia by supplementation with Iron and Folic Acid tablets during pregnancy and lactation. This includes the registration and 1st ante-natal check-up in the first trimester.

Organizing Village Health and Nutrition days in rural areas every month at Anganwadi centers to enhance awareness on maternal and child health services including ante-natal check-ups.

Engagement of over eight lakh Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) to facilitate registration of pregnancies and ante-natal care services.

Name Based Tracking of Pregnant Women and Mother and Child Health Protection Card are among the new initiatives to ensure provision of ante-natal care services.

(c): JSY has seen a significant increase both in terms of beneficiaries and expenditure since its launch as per the following details:

Year Beneficiaries Expenditure
(in lakhs) (Rupees in crores)

2005-06	7.39	38.29
2006-07	31.58	258.22
2007-08	73.29	880.17
2008-09	90.37	1241.33
2009-10	100.78	1473.76
2010-11#	113.38	1618.39

#Figures are provisional

(d): Question does not arise in view of above.