

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide Universal Health Coverage to every citizen in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken in this direction so far and results yielded alongwith the funds spent in this regard during each of the last three years, State-wise including Goa?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (c): Planning Commission has set up a High Level Expert Group (HLEG) on Universal Health Coverage. The HLEG has submitted its Report for consideration of the Government.

Health being a State subject, Government of India supports State Governments / Union Territories (UT) through National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), which seeks to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and quality healthcare, especially to the poor and vulnerable sections of population of the country.

A statement on the central release of funds and expenditure to states/UTs including Goa, during last three years, under NRHM is Annexed.