

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch National Urban Health Mission (NUHM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether all the municipalities having population between 15 thousand to 1 lakh are to be covered under NUHM;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the institutional mechanism envisaged for covering all urban poor in the country; and
- (e) the measures taken so far by the Government to provide accessible, affordable and reliable primary health care facilities to the poor urban people across the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d) Yes. To address the health care needs of urban population and to bring renewed focus on public health services delivery, there is a proposal for launching National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) in the country. The contours of the Mission will be finalized through wider stakeholders consultation including State/UTs Government and concerned Central Ministries/Department and Planning Commission.

(e) As part of urban component of Reproductive & Child Health-II under National Rural Health Mission, funds are provided for the improvement of health status of the urban poor through quality integrated primary health care services. Besides, NRHM provides for strengthening and up-gradation of district hospitals, which are accessed by the urban poor also.

Further, under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes – Urban Family Welfare Centres (UFWCs) and Urban Health Posts (UHPs), urban health services are being provided as a package of reproductive & child health programme through a network of 1083 UFWCs & 871 UHPs.

Besides the above, all other National Disease Control Programme cater to the needs of poor persons including the urban poor.