

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:411  
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HIGHER POPULATION GROWTH IN SOME DISTRICTS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the growth rate of the population of certain districts in a few States has been higher than the average population growth rate of the country during the last few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any concrete policy for controlling the growth of population in the above said districts; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 411 FOR 4.05. 2012

(a)&(b): Population Census is carried out at a periodicity of a decade. As per the provisional population tables based on Census of India,2011, the growth rate of the population in 304 districts in 28 States/UTs has been higher than the average population growth rate of the country during 2001-2011. State wise details are at (Annexure-A).

(c)&(d): For focused attention to districts having weak health indicators pertaining to maternal health, child health and family planning, 264 High Focus Districts have been identified across the country for supportive supervision and higher allocation of funds to bridge critical gaps especially in infrastructure and human resources. Some of the key new interventions that have been added to ongoing measures for population stabilisation are as follows:

1. A new scheme has been launched to utilize the services of ASHA to deliver contraceptives at the doorstep of beneficiaries. The scheme is being implemented in 233 districts of 17 states. ASHA is charging a nominal amount from beneficiaries for her effort to deliver contraceptives at doorstep i.e Re 1 for a pack of 3 condoms, Re 1 for a cycle of OCPs and Rs.2 for a pack of one tablet of ECP.
2. Cu IUCD 375(5 years effectivity) has been introduced under the National Family Planning programme. Training of state level trainers has already been completed and process is underway to train service providers upto the sub-center level.
3. A new method of IUCD insertion namely Post- Partum IUCD (PPIUCD) has been introduced. 276 district hospitals in high focus states have been identified for strengthening PPIUCD services.

Post-partum Family Planning Services at district hospitals is promoted by providing for dedicated Family Planning Counsellors and training of personnel