

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PERFORMANCE OF FAMILY PLANNING SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether various family planning welfare schemes of the Government have been able to achieve their desired objectives;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise;
- (c) the details of States/UTs where family planning welfare schemes have failed to make an impact or create sufficient awareness; and
- (d) the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard in such States/UTs?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY)

(a) to (c): Government of India has been vigorously implementing the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) launched in the year 2005 in line with the policy framework of population stabilization as envisaged in National Population Policy-2000, i.e the need to simultaneously address issues of child survival, maternal health and fertility while increasing outreach and coverage of a comprehensive package of reproductive and child health services.

The goal of NRHM is to achieve net replacement level of total fertility rate (TFR) of 2.1 by 2012. As per the Sample Registration System of the Registrar General of India, Total Fertility Rate has shown a significant decline of 0.4 points between 2005 and 2010 (from 2.9 in 2005 to 2.5 in 2010). The rate of decline of Total Fertility Rate has accelerated since the launch of NRHM and this has generally been more in states with high Total Fertility Rate. State wise details are annexed.

(d): New interventions that have been added to existing interventions for family planning include the following:

1. 264 High Focus Districts having weak health indicators pertaining to maternal health, child health and family planning, have been identified across the country for focused attention and supportive supervision.
2. 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.
3. With a view to ensuring spacing after marriage and between 1st and 2nd child, services of ASHAs will be utilized for counseling newly married couples to ensure spacing of 2 years after marriage and couples with 1 child to have spacing of 3 years after the birth of 1st child. The scheme is operational in North East states, Gujarat, Haryana Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Orissa and Madhya Pradesh.
4. Government of India has introduced short term IUCD(5 years effectivity),Cu IUCD 375 under the Family Planning Programme.
5. Promotion of Post-partum Family Planning Services at district hospitals by providing for placement of dedicated Family Planning Counsellors and training of personnel.