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POPULATION STABILIZATION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is focusing on population stabilisation and meeting the increasing demands of contraceptives under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken in this regard in each State, including Karnataka during the Eleventh Five Year Plan and the funds spent so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (c): Population stabilization is a key priority area of the Government. Government of India has been vigorously implementing the National Rural Health Mission launched in the year 2005 in line with the policy framework of population stabilization as envisaged in National Population Policy-2000, by helping create a robust service delivery mechanism to address the unmet need for family planning. State/UT wise details of IUD insertions, Oral Pill users, Condom users including sterilizations conducted are at Annex-I.

The key interventions for population stabilization include the following:

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.

Government of India has introduced short term IUCD , Cu IUCD 375 under the Family Planning programme.

Enhancement of compensation packages for accepters and providers of sterilization services.

Introduction of a National Family Planning Insurance Scheme to cover any mishap that may occur due to sterilization.

Promotion of long term IUD-380-A as a spacing method.

Strengthening of post partum family planning services in health facilities in view of substantial increase of institutional deliveries.

Promotion of male participation through Non Scalpel Vasectomy methods.

Training of doctors on minilap sterilization.

Enlistment of private providers to enhance provision of sterilization services.

During the 11th Five Year Plan, an amount of Rs. 2080 Crores have been spent for Family Planning services. State-wise details, including Karnataka are annexed(Annexure-II).