

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ANAEMIA AND MALNOURISHMENT AMONG YOUNG MOTHERS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is high incidence of anaemia and malnourishment among young mothers with little or no access to child planning especially in the rural areas as compared to urban areas;
- (b) if so, the comparative details thereof in each State in the Eleventh Five Year Plan especially in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (c) the funds allocated and spent in the urban and rural areas in Andhra Pradesh compared to other States for the said period?

Answer

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

- (a): the incidence of anaemia and malnourishment are not being recorded in young mothers. However, as per National Family and Health Survey - III, the prevalence of anaemia and malnourishment (with BMI less than 18.5) among 15-19 years old women is 55.8% and 46.8% respectively. Disaggregated data for rural and urban young mothers is not monitored.
- (b) the comparative State wise data on prevalence of anaemia, malnourishment and child spacing is provided at Annexure I and 2.
- (c) the State wise funds allocation and expenditure under Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health programme is provided at Annexure 3.