

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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JANANI SHISHU SURAKSHA KARAYAKARAM
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any scheme in the name of Janani Shishu Suraksha Karayakaram (JSSK) for ensuring safe motherhood and reduction in maternal and neo-natal mortality;
- (b) if so, the main aims and objectives and the number of women covered under the said scheme so far; and
- (c) the details of funds allocated and utilised for the purpose so far, State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (ABU HASEM KHAN CHOUDHURY)

(a) The Government of India has launched the scheme of Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) on 1st June, 2011 as one of the key initiatives to ensure safe motherhood and reduce maternal and neo-natal mortality.

(b) The initiative has been rolled out under the overall umbrella of National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) with the objective of ensuring for all pregnant women delivering in public health institutions absolutely free and no expense delivery, including caesarean section.

The scheme covers all pregnant women delivering in public health institutions and entitles them to free drugs and consumables, free diagnostics, free blood wherever required, and free diet up to 3 days for normal delivery and 7 days for C-section. This initiative also provides for free transport from home to health institution, between health facilities in case of a referral and drop back home.

Similar entitlements have been put in place for all sick newborns accessing public health institutions for treatment till 30 days after birth.

(c) The details of State wise funds allocated and utilised under JSSK for the year 2012-13 till 30th June, 2012 is annexed.