

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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REPRODUCTIVE CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented Reproductive and Child Health Programme (RCH) in the Country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the funds allocated and spent during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, The phase-I of the Reproductive and Child Health Programme was implemented from the year 1997 to 2005. The phase-II of Reproductive and Child Health programme, under the umbrella of NRHM, was launched by the Government of India with effect from April, 2005 for a period of five years. The program aims to reduce Total Fertility Rate (TFR), Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) in the country.

The programme is being implemented in all the states/Union Territories. Under the program, flexibility is provided to the states to devise need based Programme Implementation Plan (PIP). The state ownership, inter & intra-sectoral convergence, decentralization, logical programme management framework, use of innovative approaches and enhancing the participation of the private & the NGO sector are the main components of this programme. The programme has adopted a sector-wide approach in the family welfare sector.

- (c) The details are enclosed as Annexure.