

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5077

ANSWERED ON:24.04.2015

NRHM

Bohara Shri Ramcharan

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

(a) whether the Government has identified such districts in the country where more attention is required to be paid under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UTwise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for proper monitoring of implementation of NRHM in each district of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) & (b): To ensure equitable health care and to bring about sharper improvements in health outcomes, the bottom 25% of the districts in every State according to the ranking of districts based on composite health index have been identified as High Priority Districts (HPDs) All Left Wing Affected districts and districts with majority tribal population, whose composite health index is below 50% are also categorized as HPDs. The List of 184 HPDs is at Annexure.

(c): The implementation and progress of the National Health Mission (NHM) is reviewed at the national level through:

(i) Mechanisms that have included/include external surveys such as Sample Registration Survey (SRS), the District Level Household Survey (DLHS), Annual Health Surveys and National Family Health Survey (NFHS) which provide data on outcomes and service delivery.

(ii) The national program is subject to the CAG audit.

(iii) All States/districts are required to have a system of periodic concurrent audit and an annual audit.

(iv) Common Review Mission (CRM) which comprise of government officials from different Ministries and Planning Commission, public health experts and representatives of development partners and civil society to review NPIM implementation in the states is undertaken every year.

(v) Monitoring is also done through Hospital Management Information System (HMIS) and Mother and Child Tracking System (MCTS) etc. HMIS is a web-based Monitoring system that has been put in place by MoHFW to monitor the performance of health programmes at facility and district level and help take timely corrective action. MCTS is a centralized name based, web based application, which facilitates monitoring of delivery of services to individual pregnant women and children.

(vi) Regular integrated monitoring visits from National Program Management Units to States & districts and from States to districts & blocks.

(vii) Monitoring through Regional Evaluation Teams (RETs) located in the Regional Offices of the Ministry which undertake evaluation of the NRHM activities including Reproductive and Child Health Programme (RCH) on a sample basis by visiting the selected Districts and interviewing the beneficiaries.

In addition to the above mechanism for monitoring implementation of NRHM, HPDs receive increased and focused attention in terms of resources and supportive supervision including through development and knowledge partners.