## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether all the State Governments have implemented the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the names of the States which are yet to implement the same along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure implementation of the Mission by all States across the country;
- (e) the extent to which the Mission has been successful in reducing the mortality rate among urban poor and also provide better health care facilities to urban poor especially slum dwellers; and
- (f) the funds allocated/released/utilised under the said Mission during the 12th Plan period, State/UT-wise?

## **Answer**

## THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) to (f): National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) was approved as a sub-mission of National Health Mission (NHM) by the Cabinet on 1st May, 2013. An amount of Rs.662.227 crore was released to 29 States/UTs for implementation of NUHM, during Feb.-March, 2014.

Since the funds were released at the fag end of the financial year & the Model Code of Conduct for the General Elections to the Lok Sabha came into effect on 5th March, 2014, the States & UTs could not implement the approved activities during 2013-14. However, the States & UTs are now taking steps to implement NUHM as per the approvals communicated last year & the Ministry is in constant touch with the State Govts. & UT Administrations in this regard.

An amount of Rs.306.81 crore has also been released to 14 States during 2014-15 till date. State-wise position is given in the Annexure.

NUHM envisages to strengthen the existing primary health care facilities & establish new primary health centres based on detailed mapping of the slum & vulnerable population to improve access of the urban poor to quality & equitable primary health care services.

Since this is a new scheme, it will take some time to have its impact on the health status of the urban poor, especially the slum dwellers.