

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS**Performance of Area Projects***[English]*

*185. SHRI G. BHOOPATHY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Area Projects were initiated to strengthen the family welfare services;
 (b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the performance of these Area Projects has been evaluated; if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what have been their achievements so far, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE):
 (a) to (d). A statement is given below.

STATEMENT

Area Projects scheme was started in 1973 when a few selected districts of Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka were taken up for intensive development of Health and Family Welfare service delivery infrastructure with assistance from World Bank and Swedish International Development Agency. The objective of the Project was to make available integrated services for Health and Family Welfare to the people and to reduce maternal and child mortality and morbidity. The Project also aimed to improve the demand for contraceptive services, to improve the availability of trained manpower in the field and to provide institutional buildings for the health centres as also the residential buildings. During the 5th, 6th and 7th Plan periods the Area Project Scheme was continued and extended to cover more districts in other States as well.

The details of the Projects, their duration, area of operation and name of donor agency are given below;

<i>State</i>	<i>Project Cost</i>	<i>Districts Covered</i>	<i>Period of Operation</i>	<i>Donor Agency</i>
1	2	3	4	5
Andhra Pradesh	31.40	3	1980-1988	World Bank
Bihar	16.51	11	1981-1987	UNFPA
Gujarat	15.76	2	1980-1986	USAID
Haryana	8.75	3	1980-1986	USAID
Himachal Pradesh	14.75	3	1980-1986	USAID
Karnataka				
(IPP-I)	9.38	5	1973-1980	World Bank
(IPP-II)	71.31	6	1984-1990	World Bank

1	2	3	4	5
Kerala 49.11	4	1984-1990	World Bank	
Madhya Pradesh 26.50		8	1981-1988	DANIDA
Maharashtra 15.13		3	1980-1986	USAID
Orissa 33.67	5	1980-1987	ODA (UK)	
Punjab 12.34		3	1980-1986	USAID
Rajasthan 13.81		4	1980-1986	UNFPA
Tamil Nadu 21.08		2	1981-1988	DANIDA
Uttar Pradesh				
(IPP-I) 11.87		6	1973-1980	World Bank
(IPP-II) 73.33		6	1980-1988	World Bank
West Bengal 107.47		4	1985-1991	World Bank
Total	532.12	78		

Evaluation

Some of these Area Projects have been evaluated through independent professional institutions and organisations. So far evaluation reports have been received in respect of the Area Projects implemented in Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh.

The salient findings of these evaluation studies suggest that the area projects have contributed towards development of physical infrastructural facilities in the project districts leading to improved health care delivery services. Provision of improved physical infrastructure including equipment, supplies etc. have directly contributed towards improvement in the quality of services. However, the quality of the construction have been reported to be poor in certain cases by the Evaluation agencies. The

improved infrastructural facilities have not been put to optimal use due to under staffing particularly in respect of male health workers at the sub-centres and low utilisation of the training facilities created under the project. The Evaluation agencies have concluded that whereas the need for the infrastructure remains of prime importance, major emphasis should be on the improvement of quality of workers through in service training and close supervision and monitoring.

Achievements:

The projects aims included construction of institutional buildings for the health care delivery services, training and appointment of additional manpower in the project districts. The details of the achievements made towards these components is given below:

<i>State</i>	<i>Construction of Buildings</i>	<i>Manpower Trained</i>	<i>Additional Manpower Appointed</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
Andhra Pradesh	1587	7675	969
Bihar	312	7586	1414
Gujarat	684	2894	702
Haryana	422	2633	451
Himachal Pradesh	294	3148	470
Karnataka			
IPP-I	856	3185	622
IPP-III	1749	690	N/A
Kerala	1039	1412	942
Madhya Pradesh	832	10823	1015
Maharashtra	656	8014	702
Orissa	1825	14604	1539
Punjab	628	11822	201
Rajasthan	1033	6809	546
Tamil Nadu	866	4811	734
Uttar Pradesh			
IPP-I	780	3764	504
IPP-II	2331	10182	2262
West Bengal	484	13028	N/A
Total	16378	113080	13079

Note: (i) Constructions include Sub Centres, Primary Health Centres, Community Health Centres, Training Schools and Upgradation of Existing Health Institutions.

(ii) Manpower Trained include Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANMs), Lady Health Visitors (LHVs), Male Multipurpose Workers, Traditional Birth Attendants, Village Health Guides and The Medical Officers.

The data available with the Ministry of Health and F.W. indicates that there is no marked difference between the performance of the project districts and the non-project districts in so far as the demand for contraceptive services is concerned. This may be due to the fact that design of the project provided a larger share of the project outlay for construction and staff salaries and considerably lower share for Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and training activities. Another reason suggested by the Evaluation Agencies is that a period of 5 to 6 years is comparatively a very low time span to give any definite conclusions about the impact of the project activities.

Exports of Handicrafts

*186. SHRI SRIKANTHA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the value of Handicrafts exported during the last three years; and

(1) *Cash Compensatory Support Facility*

<i>Sl. Export Product No.</i>		<i>% rate of CCS on FOB value</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>
1.	Handicrafts	10
2.	<i>Handknotted Woollen Carpet</i>	
	a) FOB value above Rs. 650/- per sq. mtr.	18
	b) FOB value above Rs. 250/- but up to Rs. 650 per sq. mtr.	15
	c) FOB value upto Rs. 250/- per sq. mtr.	8
3.	Woolen Druggets and Durries	8

(b) the various steps taken or contemplated by Government to increase the export of handicrafts?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA):

(a) The value of exports of handicrafts including handicrafts carpets, for the last three years is as follows:-

<i>Years</i>	<i>Value (Rs. in crores) (Provisional)</i>
1986-87	415.47
1987-88	540.94
1988-89 (April-October)	451.47

(b) The following steps have been taken to increase the export of handicrafts including handknotted carpets:-