

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2475
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH MARCH, 2018**

AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINES UNDER NRHM

2475. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:

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

- (a) the present status of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of non availability of essential medicines, diagnostic test kits and non-functioning of medical equipments in various Government hospitals of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken in this regard;
- (d) whether the progress and implementation of medical health facilities/schemes/programmes under the NRHM in different States of the country has been reviewed recently; and
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof along with the corrective measures taken by the Government to address the shortcomings ?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a): The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) now subsumed under National Health Mission(NHM) as one of its sub -mission with NUHM being other sub-mission) is implemented in all the States/UTs. Present status is at Annexure.

(b) & (c): Pubic Health and Hospital being a State subject, the primary responsibility to ensure the availability of essential medicines, diagnostic kits and functioning of medical equipment fall within the jurisdiction of respective State/ UT Governments. However, Under NHM, support is being provided to States/ UTs for strengthening of their healthcare facilities including support for NHM Free Drugs Service and NHM Free Diagnostics Service Initiatives for provision of essential medicines and diagnostics free of cost in public health facilities based on the Programme Implementation Plans submitted by the States/UTs. Support under NHM is also provided to States/UTs for implementing the comprehensive bio-medical equipment maintenance to ensure functionality of biomedical equipment in public health facilities. State/UT-wise approvals under NHM detailing the activitiesand funds approved for them - are available at URL - <http://nhm.gov.in/nrhm-in-state/state-program-implementation-plans-pips.html>.

(d) & (e): The progress and implementation of medical health facilities/schemes/programmes under the NRHM in different States is reviewed through the mechanism of Common Review Mission (CRM).

Apart from above, the programme is also monitored through video conferences, programme specific reviews and integrated monitoring visits are also undertaken by senior officers of the Ministry and other representatives. Theme based consultations are also held with the States/UTs regarding various activities under NHM. Further, during the process of appraisal and discussions on Programme Implementation Plans submitted by the States/UTs, their performance under NHM during the previous year is reviewed.

Further, the impact of NHM is also monitored through external surveys such as, National Family Health Survey (NFHS), District Level Household Survey (DLHS), Annual Health Survey (AHS) and Sample Registration System (SRS) and evaluation study on NRHM by erstwhile Planning Commission. Based on the assessment, the States are advised to address the gaps and technical & financial support under NHM is provided for this based on proposals received from States/UTs, with overall resource envelope.

Annexure

Indicators	Present status
Maternal Mortality Rate (MMR)	167(SRS: 2011-13)
Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)	34 (SRS: 2016)
Neonatal Mortality rate (NMR)	24 (SRS 2016)
Under 5 Mortality rate (U5MR)	39 (SRS 2016)
Total Fertility Rate (TFR)	2.3 (SRS 2016)
Tuberculosis Prevalence and Mortality	The incidence of TB reduced to 211/ lakh population in 2016 from 217/ lakh population in 2015. Mortality also reduced to 32/ lakh population in 2016 from 36/ lakh population in 2015.
Leprosy Prevalence rate	Prevalence rate of Leprosy reduced to Less than 1/10000 population in 554 Districts in March 2017.
Annual Malaria Incidence	Annual Malaria Incidence is 0.53 up to Sept. 2017
Kala-Azar Elimination	Out of 633 endemic blocks, 565 (85%) Blocks are reporting less than 1 case per 10,000 population as on November 2017
Microfilaria Prevalence	Out of 256 LF endemic districts, 222 districts have reported Mf rate less than 1% as per reports of 2016.

SRS: Sample Registration System