

Grant-in-Aids for NGOs

2054. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to reduce the grant-in-aids in the next financial year for the NGOs;
- (b) if so, what are the reasons for reducing grant-in-aids to the NGOs;
- (c) how much is the budget under grant-in-aids to NGOs in last three financial years;
- (d) how much grants have already been sanctioned during last three financial years *i.e.* 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10; and
- (e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The NGO Division of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has been providing funds to the NGOs, under the Mother NGO (MNGO) Scheme, through State health Societies. From 2008-09 onwards, the State Governments have started reflecting their requirement of funds, under the said scheme; in the state Project Implementation Plans (PIPs). However, 11 Regional Resource Centres (RRCs) are provided direct grant-in-aid by this Division. There is no proposal, on the part of this division, to reduce any such funding.

(c) to (e) The details of total budget, allocated under the scheme, and grant-in-aid released to States (prior to 2008-09) and RRCs are given below:

Year	Budget allocated	Amount released (Rs. in Lakh)
2006-07	500.00	336.44
2007-08	2029.00	1831.58
2008-09	300.00	128.98
2009-10	200.00	157.70

Mobile health vans for rural areas

2055. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to provide mobile health vans in remote villages throughout the country;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government is also considering to provide healthcare centres for senior citizens in the country; and