

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) The expenditure incurred by UNFPA during the last three years for population control is as mentioned below:-

Year	Total Amount Rs.(crores)
2008	13.55
2009	19.86
2010	20.34

(b) As per report of the Technical Group on Population Projections of Registrar General, India (May-2006) the projected annual exponential population growth rate of India for 2006-10 is 1.4.

(c) The funds are utilised according to the norms.

Treatment facilities for women in hospitals

1462.SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the grossly under budgeted, understaffed and without minimum basic facilities for treatment available in the country for women;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government proposes to take suitable measure on the highest priority to provide minimum basic treatment facilities to the women of the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (c) National Rural Health Mission [NRHM] was launched in 2005 with a view to support the States by way of improving health infrastructure and augment human resources so as to provide accessible, accountable and affordable health care services in the rural areas across the country. The implementation framework of NRHM, envisaged that the public health institutions at different levels would be up-graded to a set of standards called "Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS)" wherein norms for maternal and child health care have been prescribed for different categories of health facilities i.e. Sub-Centres (SCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs).

Under Reproductive & Child Health -II, it is envisaged that all the Community Health Centres and at least 50% of the PHCs shall be operationalized for providing round the clock Basic Obstetric and New Borne Care services by placing at least 3 Staff Nurses and 1 Medical Officer in these facilities.

Training of MBBS Doctors in Life Saving Anesthesia Skills for Emergency Obstetric Care and training in Obstetric Management Skills including Caesarean Section have also taken up to overcome the shortage of specialist doctors.

Setting up of NCHRH

1463. SHRI SABIR AL1 : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether a decision has been taken to set up the National Council for Human Resources in Health (NCHRH) as a regulatory body for medical institutions and education in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether it will replace the Medical Council of India?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) and (b) The Ministry is considering setting up of an overarching regulatory body viz. National Commission for Human Resources for Health (NCHRH) with a dual purpose of reforming the current regulatory framework and enhancing the supply of skilled manpower in the health sector. The existing Councils viz, Medical Council of India, Dental Council of India, Indian Nursing Council, etc. would be replaced by new professional councils to be constituted afresh under the proposed statute.

Home for mentally challenged persons in Chandigarh

1464. Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether Government is aware of the fact that Chandigarh has 66,000 mentally challenged persons;
- (b) if so, the steps Government is taking to tackle this matter;
- (c) whether there is any home for them; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to provide some home to such patients, if so, by when?