

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Yes. Proposals were received from State Government of Maharashtra for grant of financial assistance for upgradation of the following 7 medical college institutions in the State:

1. Shri Vasantrao Naik Government Medical College, Yavatmal;
2. Government Medical College and Hospital, Akola;
3. Shri Bhausaheb Hire Government Medical College, Dhule;
4. Dr. Shanrao Chavan Medical College and Guru Govind Singh Hospital, Nanded;
5. Dr. Vaishampayan Memorial Government Medical College and Chatrpati Shivaji Maharaj General Hospital, Solapur;
6. Government Medical College and Hospital, Latur; and
7. B.J. Medical College and Sassoon General Hospitals, Pune.

There is no provision for grant of financial assistance for upgradation of the ' above institutions under the PMSSY at present. However, in the State of Maharashtra, Central Government has taken up upgradation of the Grants Medical College, Mumbai in the first phase and of Government Medical College, Nagpur in the second phase of PMSSY.

(c) Does not arise.

**Solution for global health issues through  
Indian models and ideas**

†2246. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news-item titled Indian ideas and models can help solve global health problem quoted by Melinda Gates as published in the Economic Times dated 23 March, 2011;

(b) if so, whether the above view of Melinda Gates has been studied by Government;

(c) if so, whether Government has reached any conclusion; and

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(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) to (d) The report says that India is a hotbed of innovation and idea and healthcare interventions here can solve world's problems.

Government of India has promoted innovation in healthcare under National Rural Health Mission. Some of the innovation include boat clinics (Assam, Kerala and West Bengal), Mobile Medical Units, Chiranjeevi Yojana (Gujarat), call centre based, Emergency Medical Transport System, Introduction of Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs), demand generation scheme like Janani Suraksha Yojana, community participation in health system cashless services to pregnant women and neonates under Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakarm (JSSK) etc.

For renewed focus on malnutrition, Government of India has asked the States to expand the role of existing Village Health and Sanitation Committee by including nutrition within its ambit and renaming it as Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Committee (VHSNC). Nutrition Rehabilitation Centres (NRCs) have been established under NRHM in districts having high incidence of malnourishment.

**Utilization of fund released for family welfare  
schemes in Uttar Pradesh**

†2247. SHRI MOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount given by Government of India for annual expenditure in the last three years under family welfare schemes;

(b) whether the released amount was properly utilized;

(c) whether any audit on expenditure of entire funds released so far is being carried out by CAG;

(d) if so, the details of the report and observations of CAG thereon; and

(e) whether there is any proposal for enhancing allocation for family welfare and health schemes in view of the size and population of Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SUDIP BANDYOPADHYAY): (a) The Family Welfare Schemes have been subsumed under the National Rural Health Mission [NRHM] which was launched in 2005 to provide accessible, affordable

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