

(e) Several steps have been undertaken to address the slowdown in GDP growth including the setting up of the Cabinet Committee on Investment (CCI) to fast track large investment projects; strengthening of financial and banking sector; disinvestment in certain Public Sector Undertakings; permitting FDI in areas including multi-brand retail, power exchanges and aviation; fiscal consolidation, *etc.* The Union Budget 2013-14 has outlined several initiatives to boost investment in infrastructure and industry, that *inter alia* include encouraging Infrastructure Debt Funds, credit enhancement to infrastructure companies, raising the corpus of Rural Infrastructure Development Fund, introduction of investment allowance for new high value investments, *etc.* It is expected that these measures would help revive market confidence. In addition, measures including reduction in import duties and suspension of futures trading in certain commodities, tightening of monetary policy, *etc.* have been undertaken to control inflation.

#### **Expansion of rural medical facilities in Uttarakhand**

†\*210. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds released by Government during the last three years for the expansion of rural medical facilities in Uttarakhand, head-wise;

(b) the funds allocated for the construction of new medical centres and for modernization of old dispensaries in the State separately; and

(c) whether Government is willing to consider the matter of providing special assistance to enhance medical facilities in the tribal areas?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The details of the funds released programme wise by Government of India during the last three years to Uttarakhand under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM), which is the flagship programme to strengthen rural health care, are given in Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) The funds sanctioned for the construction of new medical centres and for renovation of existing health facilities in the State are given in Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) provides financial support to the State Governments to enable them to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care to the rural population, especially the vulnerable sections. Accordingly, the Government provides assistance on priority to enhance medical facilities in tribal areas.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

**Statement-I**

*Details of funds releasead under National Rural Health Mission  
for the F.Ys. 2009-10 to 2011-12 to Uttarakhand*

(Rs. In crore)

Sl. No.	Programme	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
1	RCH-II	31.45	40.70	59.17
2	Additionalities under NRHM	33.64	39.59	53.54
3	Routine Immunization	1.95	2.00	3.43
4	PPI.	15.01	9.66	3.64
5	Infrastructure Maintenance	40.77	48.83	80.63
<b>National Disease Control Programmes</b>				
a	I.D.S.P.	0.78	1.32	0.65
b	N.I.D.D.C.P.	0.00	0.15	0.12
c	N.L.E.P.*	0.51	0.25	0.41
d	N.P.C.B.*	3.20	0.00	2.78
e	N.V.B.D.C.P.*	0.57	0.78	0.85
f	R.N.T.C.P.*	2.97	4.11	3.24
GRAND TOTAL		130.85	147.39	208.45

Note:\* Denotes inclusive of kind grants. The above Releases relate to Central Govt. Grants & do not include State Share contribution

**Statement-II**

*Details of funds sanctioned to Uttarakhand for Construction of  
new Medical Centres and renovation of existing health facilities*

(Rs. in lakhs)

Health Facilities	Year	Construction of new medical centres	Renovation of existing health facilities
1	2	3	4
Government Dispensaries	2009-10	246.00	—

1	2	3	4
District Hospitals	2010-11	-	219.00
	2011-12	-	25.00
Community Health Centres	2009-10	-	260.00
	2010-11	-	180.00
	2011-12	-	70.00
Sub Centres	2010-11	-	65.99
	2011-12	-	50.70
TOTAL		246.00	870.69

**Free health cards for citizens**

†\*211. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to provide health cards free of cost to all the citizens of the country;

(b) whether Government would carry out free medical examination of children belonging to poor families and provide them health cards compulsorily;

(c) if so, by when; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (d) Under National Rural Health Mission, efforts are being made to strengthen health system for effective health service delivery. Accordingly, a mother and child protection card has been introduced to ensure, and keep a record of, services to pregnant women and children.

Besides this, Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) has recently been launched to screen all the children in the age group 0-18 years for thirty identified illnesses. Further, the children identified with these illnesses will be referred to tertiary level institutions for further management under NRHM.

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