

Statement*Percentage of Births delivered by caesarean section (%)*

Sl. No.	Name of State	Births delivered by caesarean section	Births in a private health facility delivered by caesarean section	Births in a public health facility delivered by caesarean section
1.	Andhra Pradesh	40.1	57.0	25.5
2.	Andaman and Nicobar	19.3	*	16.9
3.	Bihar	6.2	31.0	2.6
4.	Goa	31.4	51.3	19.9
5.	Haryana	11.7	25.3	8.6
6.	Karnataka	23.6	40.3	16.9
7.	Madhya Pradesh	8.6	40.8	5.8
8.	Maharashtra	20.1	33.1	13.1
9.	Manipur	21.1	46.2	22.6
10.	Meghalaya	7.6	31.4	9.8
11.	Puducherry	33.6	48.3	30.4
12.	Sikkim	20.9	49.3	18.1
13.	Tamil Nadu	34.1	51.3	26.3
14.	Telangana	58.0	74.9	40.6
15.	Tripura	20.5	73.7	18.1
16.	Uttarakhand	13.1	36.4	9.3
17.	West Bengal	23.8	70.9	18.8

Source : National Family Health Survey-4 (NFHS-4) in 2015-16

Telemedicines centres at pilgrimage sites

1229. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up telemedicines centres at certain places of pilgrimage in the country, if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to strengthen e-Health initiative to improve primary health services in rural and underserved areas of the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA): (a) Department of Space has been asked to examine the feasibility of setting up Telemedicine centres at places of pilgrimage in the country.

(b) In order to improve primary health services through use of ICT *i.e.* e-Health, including in rural areas and under-served areas of the country, MoHFW has taken following key large scale steps:-

- **Mother and Child Tracking System** for efficient delivery of Health care services to expectant mothers and children with an objective of improving IMR, MMR, and morbidity in women and children.
- **Kilkari and Mobile Academy -Kilkari** delivers free, weekly, time-appropriate audio messages about pregnancy, child birth and child care delivery to families' mobile phones. Mobile Academy is a free audio training course designed to expand and refresh the knowledgebase of ASHAs and improve their communication skills.
- **National Health Portal (NHP)** - a citizen portal for health to provide authentic information on various health issues to public. It has a toll-free number for citizens to access reliable, easy to understand and multilingual health information.
- **Tobacco Cessation Programme-** It is a mHealth Initiative for Tobacco Cessation Programme.
- **Online Registration System (ORS)** - a framework to link various hospitals for online registration, payment of fees and appointment, online diagnostic reports, enquiring availability of blood online etc. As on date, around 160,000 appointments have been transacted online.
- **“Nikshay” for Tuberculosis control programme**, to monitor and track services and status relating to screening, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of Tuberculosis cases.
- **Missed Call Centre for reaching unreached TB patients** - a dedicated toll free number with a call centre that is currently available in the States of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi.
- **Health Management Information System** to monitor delivery of services including primary health service etc.