

The AB-HWCs will provide an expanded range of services to include care for non-communicable diseases, palliative and rehabilitative care, Oral, Eye and ENT care, mental health and first level care for emergencies and trauma as well as Health promotion and wellness activities like Yoga apart from services already being provided for Maternal and Child Health including immunization and communicable diseases.

(c) and (d) Funds allocated through NHM are for strengthening primary healthcare system with referral linkages & services for secondary care at Public healthcare facilities. Further, the total funds given to State Governments under NHM during the last 3 years and current year are as follows:

(₹ in Crore)			
2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
18,424.43	25,465.28	24,998.81	17,655.21

(The above releases are Central Releases under NHM and do not include State share contribution. Release for the F.Y. 2019-20 is updated up to 31.10.2019).

#### **Strengthening medical colleges and hospitals in Assam**

1679. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to strengthen the Medical Colleges and District General Hospitals in the State of Assam;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government during the current year;

(c) whether Government proposes to extend financial assistance to existing medical colleges in the State and, if so, the details of the financial assistance given during the aforementioned period;

(d) whether Government had received proposal from Government of Assam for financial assistance to construct new medical colleges in each district of Assam; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY): (a) to (e) The Ministry of Health

& Family Welfare administers a Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely, 'Establishment of new Medical Colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals'. Under Phase-I of the Scheme, 4 districts namely Dhubri, Nagaon, North Lakhimpur and Diphu have been approved in Assam for establishment of new medical colleges attached with existing district/referral hospitals. Complete amount of Central Share amounting to ₹170.10 crore has been released for each of these medical colleges. Further, Phase-III of the Scheme has been approved by the Cabinet on 28.8.2019 wherein 75 more new medical colleges are being established. The States/UT Governments have been requested to send their proposals under the Scheme along with Detailed Project Report as per Scheme guidelines for consideration by the Ministry. However, so far no proposal has been received from State Government of Assam for establishment of new medical college under Phase-III.

This Ministry also administers a Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely 'Upgradation of existing State Government/Central Government Medical Colleges to increase PG seats'. This Scheme was launched in 2010. Under Phase-I of this Scheme, 3 medical colleges viz. (i) Silchar Medical College, Silchar (ii) Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh and (iii) Guwahati Medical College, Guwahati have been approved in Assam to increase a total of 143 seats. Complete amount of Central Share of ₹38.3454 crore has been released for these colleges.

In addition, two Government Medical Colleges, viz. (i) Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh and (ii) Guwahati Medical College, Guwahati have been taken up for upgradation in the State of Assam under Phase-III of PMSSY at an approved cost of ₹150 crore (Central Share - ₹ 120 crore and State Share - ₹ 30 crore) for each project. The upgradation programme involves construction of Super Speciality Block and procurement of Medical Equipment and the projects are implemented directly by the Ministry through Executing Agencies and Procurement Support Agency.

Under National Health Mission (NHM), financial and technical support is provided to the State Governments/ Union Territories to strengthen their health care system including strengthening health facilities upto the level of District hospitals, based on the requirements posed by the States/ UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans(PIPs). The amount approved under NHM for the Financial Year 2019-20 is given in the Statement.

**Statement***Amount approved under NHM for the Financial Year 2019-20*

(₹ In Lakh)

Sl. No.	Activity	Amount approved under NHM 2019-20
1.	Construction of 14 MCH wings at District Hospitals	2000.00
2.	Setting up of 5 Blood Banks with Blood Collection and Storage Unit (BCSU) for civil works only at District Hospital (DH) Dhubri, Mangaldoi Civil Hospital (CH) (Darrang), BP CH (Nagaon), Kanaklata CH (Sonitpur) & SMK CH (Nalbari).	160.16
3.	Setting up 2 Blood Banks without Blood Collection and Storage Unit (BCSU) at Garmur SDCH (Majuli) and Sonapur DH (Kamrup metro).	
4.	Upgradation of 2 Blood Banks without Blood Collection and Storage Unit(BCSU) at KK CH Golaghat and Tinsukhia CH.	52.88
5.	i. Upgradation of 5 Sub-Districts Civil Hospitals (SDCH) to District Hospitals-Sonari DH in Charaideo District, Hamren DH in Karbi Anglong District, Biswanath DH in Biswanath District and Hatsingimari DH in South Salmara District and	
	ii. Construction of new 200 bedded District Hospital at Hojai District.	3000.00
6.	Construction of 10 bedded eye OT & 10 bedded eye ward at Karbi Anglong CH and Nagaon CH.	48.00
7.	Construction of Mother Newborn Care Unit (MNCU) at Barpeta CH.	92.00