

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MERGING OF NRHM AND NUHM

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch a new unified health care programme across the country by merging the existing National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) and National Urban Health Mission (NUHM), which is under consideration;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the benefits likely to accrue thereby;
- (c) the funding pattern and the total expenditure to be incurred thereon; and
- (d) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (d) No separate proposal regarding a new unified health care is under consideration. Government has already launched National Rural Health Mission in the year 2005 with an objective to provide accessible, affordable and accountable health care services to rural population. However, NRHM covers urban poor as well by strengthening district and block level hospitals. Programmes for TB, Malaria, Family Welfare, immunization, Janani Suraksha Yojana cover urban areas as well.