

Study of Objectives and functions of NHM in Haryana and major schemes/activities for implementing the Maternal Health Program in context of Haryana Ishtiyaque Ahmed, Research Fellow JRF

Introduction : The National Health Mission (NHM) encompasses its two Sub-Missions, the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) and the newly launched National Urban Health Mission (NUHM). The main programmatic components include Health System Strengthening in rural and urban areas- Reproductive-Maternal- Neonatal-Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCH+A), and Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases. The NHM envisages achievement of universal



access to equitable, affordable & quality health care services that are accountable and responsive to people's needs.

Recognizing the importance of Health in the process of economic and social development and improving the quality of life of our citizens, the Government of India has resolved to launch the National Rural Health Mission to carry out necessary architectural correction in the basic health care delivery system. The Mission adopts a synergistic approach by relating health to determinants of good health viz. segments of nutrition, sanitation, hygiene and safe drinking water. It also aims at mainstreaming the Indian systems of medicine to facilitate health care. The Plan of Action includes increasing public expenditure on health, reducing regional imbalance in health infrastructure, pooling resources, integration of organizational structures, optimization of health manpower, decentralization and district management of health programmes, community participation and ownership of assets, induction of management and financial personnel into district health system, and operationalizing community health centers into functional hospitals

meeting Indian Public Health Standards in each Block of the Country.

The Goal of the Mission is to improve the availability of and access to quality health care by people, especially for those residing in rural areas, the poor, women and children.

State Health Society, Haryana (SHSH)

Objectives:

The State Health Society, Haryana will have the objectives to:

• Provide affordable quality care health services to the people of Haryana

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- have effective implementation of various health programmes
- make the health system responsive to the needs of the community.
- coordinate and support the district societies
- provide supportive supervision for implementation of varied health programmes and
- bring change and establish health care service system to achieve the objectives of National Population Policy 2000 and National Health Policy 2002.
- The Society shall also serve in an additional managerial and technical capacity to the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of Haryana and for the implementation of Health Programmes & National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) in the State.

Functions of state health society, Haryana

- To undertake activities to bring Health Sector Reforms, to make the Health System responsive to the need of the community and to provide quality health services in the State.
- To make rules and regulations for managing the affairs of the society and to make additions, amendments and deletions in them from time to time as needed in the interest of the society and programme.
- To accept grant-in-aid from Govt. of India/any other source, donations or funds in any form for the society.
- To review the budget under NRHM, Health and other different National Programmes and to adopt the budgetary outlay for the Health System.
- To incur expenditure for managing the affairs of the society.
- To provide supportive supervision to the District Health & Family Welfare Societies to achieve the objectives of NRHM/National Policies.
- To undertake operational and applied research activities related to Health & Family Welfare including NRHM.
- To create, recruit and manage technical, administrative, managerial, academic, consultancy and other posts in the society and to make payments for those according to rules and regulations of the society.
- To purchase, hire, take on lease, exchange or otherwise acquire property, movable or immovable including funds, construct and maintaining buildings/ buildings in the manner deemed fit as may be necessary for carrying out the objectives of the society.
- To lay down appropriate financial norms for different activities and their audit from time to time. The executive committee shall get the account audited from the Authorized Agencies like



Chartered Accountant/CAG, GoI, Accountant General Haryana or others as per the requirement of the Govt./ Donor Agencies. The annual audit report will be placed every year in the meeting of the Governing body.

- To enter into agreement or contract as may be deemed necessary and sequential upon or incidental to carrying out the aims and objectives of NRHM and Health & Family Welfare Society.
- To coordinate and monitor the functioning of other district level societies in Health Department and outside.
- To coordinate/ associate with and monitor the activities of Non Government Organizations (NGOs)/ Community Based Organizations (CBOs) and Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in the manner deemed necessary for achieving the objectives of the NRHM/National Health Programme
- To accept contribution both in cash and kind from any NGO/ Agency working in the field of NRHM and Health & Family Welfare in the State or outside the State.
- To appoint short term Consultant/ Consultants and support staff on contract as per the Society Bye-laws whenever required to carry out activities to achieve the aims and objectives of the society/NRHM and National Health Policies.
- To decide and levy user charges for various Health & Family Welfare related services and utilization of the same for improvement of Health Services in the district.
- To approve procurement policy and procedures under NRHM and National Health Programme.
- To enter into joint ventures with other institutions/ organizations in Health & Family Welfare Sectors.
- To undertake training and capacity building activities to improve the knowledge, skills and attitudes of various levels of functionaries in the state to provide good quality Maternal Health. Child Health, Family Planning Services and to promote Breast Feeding, MTP, RTI/STD, etc.

MATERNAL HEALTH

MMR in Haryana has decreased from 146 in 2009-12 to 127 in 2013 (SRS), by the constant endeavor made by the Health Department Haryana. State aims to continue through old and new activities for further reduction in MMR and IMR.

In addition to the approvals of 2016-17 for continued activities and existing HR, budget for PMSMA, budget for establishment of Obstetric ICU and HDUs and budget for up-gradation (infrastructure) of



conventional Labour rooms as per GoI guidelines are proposed in the PIP 2017-18under Maternal Health. The major schemes/activities for implementing the Maternal Health Program are as below:

Continued Activities:

- 1. Operationalization and strengthening of 24x7 Delivery points and FRUs.
- 2. Maternal Death Audit to discover the gaps and address them
- 3. Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY-GoI) (cash incentive for BPL/SC deliveries)

4. JSSK (Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram) (Free Ante-natal, delivery including caesarean services and Post-natal services in Govt. Hospitals)

5. Safe RTI/STI Services

6. Up gradation of Labour Rooms for Implementation of Quality INC and immediate post partum carein labour rooms at all the delivery points with focus on High Priority Districts.

New Activities:

- 1. Budget for operationalization and strengthening of PMSMA Activities.
- 2. Establishing of Obstetric HDUs in 2 districts (Jhajjar and Kaithal)
- 3. Establishing of Obstetric ICU in PGIMS, Rohtak
- 4. Strengthening of Blood Storage Units (Equipments).

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