RCH II: 5th Joint Review Mission (March 2008)

RAJASTHAN

Rajasthan has made good progress in terms of systematically strengthening facilities and providing manpower to these facilities. The state has recruited and posted large number of new staff for improving capacities. The state needs to focus on quality of services and also quickly train the staff for operationalizing 24X7 PHCs and FRUs in order to reduce load at district level facilities.

BUDGET AND REPORTED EXPENDITURE

	FY 05-06	FY 06-07	FY 07-08
Allocation (Rs. crores)	87.5	105.76	93.62
Release (Rs. crores)	40	105.22	99.22
Reported Expenditure/ Audited			
Expenditure* (Rs. crores)	19.31	74.25	17.30
Expenditure/ Release** (%)	48.3%	59.0%	11.5%
Expenditure/ Allocation (%)	22.1%	70.2%	18.5%

Notes:

1 * For 2005-06, figures are for audited expenditure, while for subsequent years figures refer to reported expenditure.

2 ** Release in 2006-07, and during first 9 months of 2007 also takes into account unspent balance from previous year respectively.

3 For 07-08, JSY, sterilization compensation and NSV Acceptance are not included in the allocation or reported expenditure (unlike 05-06 and 06-07)

Component wise observations and suggested action points are as follows:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF PREVIOUS JRM (JRM-4) MATERNAL HEALTH	ACTION TAKEN & FURTHER ACHIEVEMENTS/ OBSERVATIONS	JRM-5 RECOMMENDATIONS	
Establish JSY grievance redressal mechanism.	 At State Level Nodal Officer (JSY) is in charge of all issues related to JSY including grievance redressal. All complaints and grievances of the community, Asha- Sahyoginis and medical staff related to JSY are being handled by him. At district level the grievance cell is headed by the RCHO. 	Grievance redressal mechanism for JSY is to be set up at the local level; listing of beneficiaries outside the PHC/ CHC, etc. should be instituted for ensuring transparency.	
 Gear up to meet the increased demand for institutional deliveries arising out of JSY. Facilities with the highest utilisation should be identified and strengthened on priority basis. Essential to ensure quality of care including for neonates in order to reduce maternal and infant mortality. Also consider accrediting private sector facilities 	 18 FRUs and 17 Blood storage units have been operationalised in the state 60% of identified 24X7 PHCs are conducting at least 10 deliveries per month. 365 institutions have been identified in the State to ensure that there is a functional 24*7 health institution within a radius of 25-30 km. anywhere in the State. These institutions are being given priority developing the physical infrastructure, 	 State should strengthen the 24X7 PHCs and FRUs on priority to reduce JSY load on district hospitals and medical colleges. 48 hour stay after delivery should be ensured during which essential newborn care as well as counseling for FP should be focused. 	

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for meeting demand.	providing additional	
	manpower and equipment.	
	Facilities are also being	
	strengthened for neonate and	
	infant care by improving the	
	physical infrastructure and	
	providing additional nursing	
	staff.	
	The state government has	
	also provision of accreditation	
	of private hospitals but till	
	December, 2007, 49	
	institutions have been	
	accredited.	
	• 553205 beneficiaries have	
	availed services of JSY	
Ensure that based on	The requirement of RCH	
existing stocks, the	drugs for 2007-08 was sent to	
requirement of RCH	MoHFW.	
drugs to be procured		
for 2007-08 and 2008-		
09 is sent to MOHFW		
(in prescribed format).		
CHILD HEALTH	1	l
	IMNCI has rolled out in 9	• The state has initiated
	districts	IMNCI implementation
	IMNCI trainings below	in 9 districts. The state
	targeted: 155 out of 648 MOs;	should first review
	129 out of 342 Staff Nurses;	progress in these 9
	and 793 out of targeted 1026	districts and then plan
	ANM/LHVs trained.	for expansion,
		saturating districts to
		over 50% before

		expanding.		
	1 SNCU has been developed in the state			
FAMILY PLANNING				
	 38 MOs in laparoscopy, 19 MOs in Minilap and 53 MOs in IUD have been trained 24 SNs and 440 ANMs have been trained in IUD insertion 10362 female sterilisation camps and 144 NSV camps organised. 	 2 days to be fixed for sterilization at district hospitals 		
GOVERNANCE/PROGRAM	MANAGEMENT			
Ensure proper HR systems are in place for the large number of contractual staff being hired. Monitor attrition and address the causes.	 HRD Manual was prepared and adopted by the State. Attrition rate has been significant in the State. One major cause of attrition is the ceiling of Rs. 26,000 on the honorarium of consultants. 	 State should provide annual increments to SPMU/ DPMU staff based on their performance during the year. State should follow Gol guidelines for 		
		delegation of financial powers		
TRAINING/ IEC/ NGO INVOLVEMENT				
Training targets should be set based on plan for operationalisation of	Training calendar for the current year has been prepared. It is expected that	The training plan should be made realistic: The state		

facilities, and estimated	60% of the trainings will be	should first estimate
shortfall of trained staff	completed during the year.	total number of trained
as per the plan	8 MOs trained in EmOC	staff by skill category
	 19 MOs trained in LSA 	required to reach the
	• 53 MOs trained in SBA	outcome targets. The
	• 24 SNs and 440 ANMs	difference between
	trained in SBA	the estimate of trained
	 38 MOs trained in MTP 	staff required and total
	 48 MOs trained in RTI/STI 	staff trained so far, will
		provide the number of
		staff to be trained until
		2010.
		• Subsequently, there is
		need to assess the
		shortfall in training
		capacity; and identify
		steps required to plug
		the gap including PPP
		where feasible. If
		training capacity gap
		cannot be met, then
		training targets should
		be lowered.
		Refresher trainings
		should also be
		conducted for MOs
		who were trained
		earlier but have not
		been able to practice
		their newly acquired
		skills.

• For every service, there	During the month of October			
should be	Swasthya Chetna Camps			
corresponding IEC.	were organized at every Gram			
E.g. facility	Panchayat.			
operationalisation				
should also be linked				
with a BCC/ IEC plan				
for generating demand				
PCPNDT & SEX RATIO				
State taking action on	45 court cases have been			
reported PNDT cases	filled under PCPNDT act			
and challans being filed	Establishment of PCPNDT			
regularly in the courts	cell at state, having its own			
	website and a helpline			
	number.			
M&E AND TA				
REQUIREMENTS				
• The state should make	The sate M&E Cell is			
use of the	collecting desegregated data			
disaggregated data for	on SC/ST population and			
monitoring of service	giving feedback to the districts			
delivery as well as	on it.			
planning during the	This data is also being used to			
next year.	prepare next year's plan.			
OTHER ISSUES				

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•	Ensure preparation of	•	Six Technical support	•	DPMU staff along with
	DHAPs is based on		Agencies were hired and they		the MOs trained in
	consultative process as		were given the task of		district planning
	indicated in the DHAP		facilitating the whole process,		should be used for
	guidelines. Consultants		final compilation of the DHAP		DHAP preparation
	if used should only		and getting the draft approved		from coming year.
	provide assistance/		in the District Health Mission	•	District planning
	facilitate the plan		and District Health Societies.		should be
	preparation process	•	28 DHAPs are ready. In		strengthened through:
			remaining 4 districts, TA		providing criteria for
			agency could not complete		allocation of resources
			the task. IIHMR has been		to districts (to be
			retained for completing		weighted in favour of
			DHAPs in these 4 districts.		the districts with the
		•	46 MOs in districts have been		worst indicators), in
			trained in district planning at		accordance with the
			IIHMR.		DHAP manual;
					providing fund
					allocation say 10%
					against which district
					schemes could be
					planned; ensuring
					district plans are
					approved by
					respective health
					societies appraised
					and approved by
					state; funds are
					released to districts in
					line with the district
					plan.

Proparo and implement	Micro Plan for
Prepare and implement	
micro-plans for	Operationalisation of FRUs
operationalisation of	and 24*7 PHCs are being
FRUs and 24X7 PHCs	prepared.
strictly in accordance	A state level committee
with criteria specified	monthly monitors the progress
by GOI. Placement of	and officers have been
full complement of	appointed at State for each
trained staff should be	district to facilitate this
a key component of the	process.
micro plan. In case of	Human Resource:
facilities identified for	 To strengthen theses
IPHS, the micro-plan	institutions, posts of 70
should first aim to meet	Specialists, 67 MOs,
the criteria for	171 Nurse Grade II, 28
FRU/24X7 PHCs.	Astt. Radiographers
Facilities thus	have been created by
operationalised should	the State. Beside this
be posted on the	Specialists and Nurse
state's website and	Grade-II are also being
communicated to GOI	engaged contractually.
	Major Equipment.
	Facility survey of institutions
	has been completed Blood
	Bank Refrigerator and
	Generator units procured.

Progress on 13 identified process indicators:

No.	RCH Indicator	Level of Achievement
1	% of ANM positions filled	69%
2	a. % of districts having full time programme manager for RCH	87%
	b. Administrative and financial powers delegated	4000/
3	% of sampled state and district programme managers aware of their responsibilities	100%
4	% of sampled state and district programme managers whose performance was reviewed during the past six months	100%
5	% of district not having one month stock of a. Measles vaccine b. OCP c. Gloves	0%
6	% of districts reporting quarterly financial performance in time	91%
7	% of district plans with specific activities to reach vulnerable communities	88%
8	% of sampled outreach sessions where guidelines for AD syringe use and safe disposal followed	90%
9	% of sampled FRUs following agreed IP and health care waste disposal procedures	86%
10	% of 24 hrs PHCs conducting minimum of 10 deliveries per month	60%
11	% of CHCs upgraded as FRUs offering 24 hr EmOC services	19%
12	% of sampled health facilities offering RTI/ STI services as per the agreed protocols	37%
13	M & E Triangulation	88%