

## (i) The Particulars of Organization

The Department of Health and Family Welfare is one of the Social Welfare Departments of the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh and is engaged in providing primitive, preventive and curative health to the people of the State through a net-work of 2071 Health Sub Centers, 443 PHCs, 22 Civil Dispensaries, 72 Community Health Centres, 36 Civil Hospitals, 9 Regional Hospitals, 3 Zonal Hospitals, 1 TB Sanatorium, 3 Leprosy Hospitals, 1 Himachal Pradesh State Hospital of Mental Health & Rehabilitation Centre Mental Health Hospital, 1 Hospital for the Mother & Child, 1 ESI Hospital and 8 ESI Dispensaries, 2 Medical Colleges and 1 Govt. Dental College in the State as on 31.03.2007.

In Himachal Pradesh presently one Health Sub Centre is serving 2838 people against the National Average of 5401. Similarly, a PHC is providing health care facilities to about 13,367 people against the National Average of 32,469 whereas a CHC is serving 88,911 people against the National Average of 2,43,427.

The birth rate of the State is 20.0 per 1000 against 23.8 of the country; crude death rate is 6.9 against 7.6 at national level and infant mortality rate is 49 against the national figure of 58. Total fertility rate is 2.1 as compared to 2.9 at the national level.

## HP Health Indicators

<i>Indicator</i>	<i>HP</i>	<i>India</i>
Birth Rate 2003(Per 1000)	20.0	23.8
Death Rate 2003(Per 1000)	6.9	7.6
Infant Mortality Rate 2005	49	58
Total Fertility Rate 2004	2.1	2.9
Child Mortality Rate 2004	12.0	17

In the field of Family Planning our achievements are high and encouraging. Coverage of eligible couples with family planning methods in the State is around 68%, which is also quite high. The State has achieved near elimination of Leprosy with reduction in Leprosy Prevalence Rate to less than 0.32 cases per ten thousand

population. Tuberculosis has also been brought under control with more than 88% cure rate. The achievements under the Universal Immunization Programme have also been commendable. The State is first in the country in the implementation of Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969 with 100% Registration of Births and Deaths. The Department functions under the control of the Health Minister who is assisted by the Principal Secretary(Health) to the Govt. of HP Secretariat with its office in the HP Secretariat at Shimla-2. The Principal Secretary is assisted by the Special/Additional/Joint/Deputy/Under Secretaries as branch officers for the two branches (Health-A) and (Health-B). These branches function under the Section Officers. Health-A section looks after the programmes and Gazetted establishment of the Primary and Secondary Health Care while Health-B section looks after the programmes and establishment of the Medical Education and Tertiary health care institutions besides the budget and works of the entire Health Department.

The Directorate of Health and Family Welfare functions under the administrative control of Secretary(Health) Govt. of HP and is located at Block No. 6, SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla-9. The Directorate is headed by the Director of Health Services. There is also a Mission Director specifically for the NRHM. Director Health services is assisted by one Additional Director, 4 Joint Directors, 6 Deputy Directors/ Programme Officers, one Deputy Director, CRS,

Assistant Director Nursing, Communication Officer and other supervisory staff including one Administrative Officer, one Deputy Controller(F &A), one Assistant Controller(F&A), 6 Superintendents and one Assistant Drug Controller. The Directorate is divided into six main branches viz. Medical-1 (Establishment of Medical Officers, Pharmacists, Staff Nurses, Lab Technicians etc.) Medical-2 (Establishment of Male and Female Health Workers, Drivers, Class-IV staff etc.) Medical -3 (Procurement, Cash, Audit and Accounts ), Medical-4 (Planning Budget, expenditure and major civil works), Medical-5 (NRHM and other National Programmes), Medical -6 General and Miscellaneous branch. There is a legal cell also to assist in the defence of court cases. A separate State Level Aids Control Society under the State Programme Officer implements the Aids Control Programme exclusively. There are two Health and Family Welfare Training institutes under Principals at Parimahal (SHFWTC) Shimla and RHFWTC Chheb Kangra. There are also 6 GNM Training Schools and MPW training Schools under the Department. A Composite Testing Lab at Kandaghat also functions under the control of DHS.

At the District level the Health Department functions through the office of Chief Medical Officers who are assisted by Medical Officer (Health) and other District Health Programme Officers like DTO,DLO, DAPO, DSO etc.

At the Block Level there are the offices of the Block Medical Officer (BMO's) who look after the primary Health Care establishments within the blocks. The Civil and Regional Hospitals function under the control of the Senior Medical Officers while the Zonal and other Secondary Care Hospitals function under the control of Medical Supdts.