

Minutes of the Annual Work Plan (AWP) Meeting of Population Research Centres (PRCs) for 2016-17, held on 28th and 29th March 2016, under the Chairmanship of Additional Director General (Statistics), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at IMA House, Kochi, Kerala

A two day 'Annual Action Plan (AAP)' meeting was organized at IMA house, Kochi, Kerala during 28th and 29th March, 2016 under the Chairpersonship of Shri C R K Nair, Additional Director General (Stats), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India. The meeting was hosted by PRC, Kerala. The main purpose was to review the works of PRCs during 2015-16 and to approve the proposed Work Plan for the year, 2016-17. Shri. P.C. Cyriac, Deputy Director General (Stats); Smt. Navanita Gogoi, Director (Stats); Shri. S. Bandhopadhyay, Consultant, MoHFW (PRC); Shri S.K. Bairwa, Asst. SO (PRC) and Shri. Rajeev Ahuja, DEO (PRC) attended. Representatives from all the 18 PRCs including some of the Institute Directors and Honorary Directors attended the meeting (Annexure I).

Day 1: 28th March 2016

The Meeting began with invocation seeking the blessings of Lord Vigneswara. Dr.P.Mohanachandran Nair, Hon. Director of PRC, Kerala offered a warm welcome to all the participants to Kochi, the business city of Kerala. He thanked the Ministry for organizing the meeting in Kerala. It was followed by self-introduction by all the participants.

Shri. CRK Nair, Additional Director General, MoHFW inaugurated the meeting by lighting the traditional lamp and delivering the inaugural address. He remarked that, by and large the PRCs have come up with good performance during the year 2015-16 and upto his expectation. This he said, was observable from the increased number of PIP districts, increased number of research works and especially the improved quality of research papers which were produced by PRCs. He said that the testimony to this improvement is reflected in the compendium of studies, brought out from the studies conducted by PRCs during 2014-15, titled "Maternal and Child Health in India". He congratulated Dr. K.S. James, Acting Director, Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru for bringing out the compendium within stipulated time. Expressing hope that the PRCs would take forward the improved work culture so that the presence of PRCs is not only felt by MoHFW but also by all other stakeholders, he urged the PRCs to work still harder.

He added that taking up externally funded projects with the help of UNICEF, UNFPA etc. and drafting new proposals in the interest of the State Governments, in line with their objectives in their area of interest could be prioritized rather than sticking on to PRC's own interest. He further suggested some modifications like doing research work with focus on high priority district areas.

The inaugural address was followed by introductory remarks by Shri. P.C. Cyriac, DDG, Statistics Wing, MoHFW. He briefly touched upon the features of PRC Scheme. He stated that the PRCs are fully funded by GOI under its Plan Scheme and their performance is reviewed after every plan for their continuation. He further stated that the inclusion of Honorary Directors and Directors was considered because their contributions have been very useful to the PRCs. He opined that improvements in performance of PRCs need to be made visible to all the stakeholders. He informed that PRCs have carried out monitoring of NHM PIP work in about 200 districts during the last two years. Out of 198 PIP districts allotted during 2015-16, 186 were reported to be completed. Only 12 districts reports were awaited, the field work for which was also completed. Similarly, out of 100 research studies, 70 studies were completed.

DDG (Stats) also reiterated that the noteworthy contribution of PRCs during the year had been the preparation of Compendium of research studies conducted by PRCs during 2014-15, in which contribution from eight PRCs were included. PRC, ISECs contribution in bringing out the compendium beautifully under the guidance of ADG (Stats) was duly acknowledged. He hoped that, the Compendium would be useful for the researchers throughout the country and would be an inspiration for other PRCs to make their contribution next year. Yet another achievement was that, 3 PRCs had taken the responsibility for carrying out the NFHS-4 in addition to AAP work which was greatly appreciated. He remarked that taking up NFHS-4 was an activity of core competence of the PRCs.

For the year 2016- 2017, about 100 proposals were received from 102 Research Staff and 186 PIP districts have been identified. He reminded the PRCs that as per the PRC committee recommendations, PRCs have to take up three types of activities 1) core activities wherein PIP Monitoring is to be carried out. 2) State/area specific studies to be planned and undertaken .3) Large scale surveys to be conducted. DDG (Stats) concluded with a brief on the schedule of the rest of the programme, where PRCs would be presenting their status of progress of studies done during 2015-16 and action plan for the year 2016-17 followed by discussion.

Presentations by PRCs

The session began with a suggestion from ADG (Stats) regarding the change in name of the meeting 'Annual Action Plan'. Suggestions were invited from the delegates to be discussed at the concluding session. The first presentation was made by PRC, Kerala.

PRC, Kerala

An introductory remark about the overall status of studies was made by the Hon. Director, PRC, Kerala. The detailed status of AAP, 2015-16 and the proposal for 2016-17 were presented by Dr. Shylaja L and Dr. Sajini B Nair on behalf of the PRC, Kerala. 20 PIP districts were allotted by MoHFW for monitoring work and 12 (10 + 2 standby studies) studies were approved for 2015-2016. 2 of the 10 studies could not be taken up-one discarded due to lack of budget and the other was not granted by the State Health Systems Resource Centre Kerala (SHSRCK), which were replaced by the approved standby studies. 5 AAP studies were completed and the reports were submitted to the MoHFW. For the remaining 5 studies, draft reports were completed and the last date of submission was proposed as 5th April 2016. All 20 PIP districts were completed and the reports had been submitted to the MoHFW.

For the year 2016-17, 20 PIP districts were allotted by the Ministry for monitoring, in addition to which PRC Kerala has proposed a total of 12 AAP studies (9 field studies and 3 desk studies). During a brief discussion on one of the studies proposed, ADG (Stat.) suggested PRCs to select samples of different socio economic settings rather than stressing the geographical area. He suggested to PRCs, in general, to include studies that capture the problems of obesity, on tobacco use etc. which has relevance in the current scenario. Two standby studies, one on LASI and one on Out of Pocket Expenditure were also proposed. If these 2 standby studies were to be taken up, the man months were proposed to be adjusted with the some field studies. With these suggestions, the proposal was approved. During discussion on the study on out of pocket expenses, ADG suggested that Ministry might consider funding and about the modality for carrying out a study on Out of Pocket at the all India level.

PRC, Delhi

The status of AAP 2015-16 and proposal for 2016-17 were presented by Dr. Suresh Sharma, PRC Delhi. For the year 2015-16, 10 AAP studies were approved and 24 PIP districts were allocated. All the assigned works were completed by the PRC and the reports pertaining to all AAP and PIP were submitted to the MoHFW. A brief description of findings of PIP monitoring was presented. Dr. Sharma briefly also mentioned about publishing two books during the year.

Twenty four districts were assigned for PIP monitoring for 2016-17 and 11 AAP studies were proposed. However out of these 11 studies, only one study was field study. After discussion, PRC, Delhi was advised to include more field based studies in place of desk studies. ADG also suggested exploring possibilities on carrying out a study on disease

surveillance. It was decided that they should revise the proposal incorporating these comments and send it at the earliest.

PRC, Baroda

Dr. Gayatri Desai made the presentation for PRC, Baroda. For 2015-16, 12 districts were allocated for PIP monitoring and 3 AAP studies were approved for the PRC. All the 12 PIP Monitoring studies were completed but report of one PIP district was yet to be submitted. All the AAP studies were also completed within the stipulated time and submitted to the Ministry. The findings of some studies were briefly described.

For 2016-2017, 12 districts were allocated for monitoring of PIP. Other than the PIP studies, a total of 5 studies have been proposed for 2016-17. High priority districts were selected for the AAP Studies. All proposed studies were approved.

PRC, CRRID

PRC, CRRID was represented by Dr. Rajesh Agarwal. For 2015-16, 8 PIP districts and 5 AAP studies were approved. All the AAP studies and all 8 PIP monitoring studies during the annual action plan 2015-2016 were completed and submitted to the Ministry. A study undertaken during 2010-11 which was pending for long was also completed during the year and was published in a book form. PRC, CRRID also organized a national seminar and a dissemination seminar.

For the year 2016-17, PRC CRRID has been allotted 8 PIP districts other than 5 AAP studies proposed by the PRC. PRC, CRRID requested for an exchange of PIP districts in Rajasthan with those of Punjab. Answering to a question raised by the DDG on why only 5 studies were proposed, Dr. Rajesh Aggarwal replied that their parent institution wanted them to spend some time on teaching. So they had proposed 4 man-months each for two faculty level staff. ADG opined that up to 30 percent of the man-months for each researcher on individual level and not on aggregate level can be assigned for teaching work, as pursuing teaching by any particular staff will reduce the time allotted for research work and will also affect its quality. DDG also opined that one more study could be included in the proposal to which, PRC, CRRID placed a request that since it is the initial year of their teaching venture, they may be allowed to restrict the number of studies as proposed to 5 other than PIP. PRC, CRRID's AAP proposal was approved.

PRC, Dharwad

Dr. Jyothi S. Hallad presented the status of studies of 2015-16 and the proposed studies for the year 2016-17. During 2015-16, PRC Dharwad was allotted 20 PIP districts and approved 8 AAP studies. Out of the 8 AAP studies, 7 had been completed and the reports have been submitted to the MoHFW. The reports of the remaining one study would be submitted by 16th April 2016. Reports of 20 PIP districts were also completed and submitted. A national seminar was also organized during the year.

For 2016-2017, 20 PIP districts have been assigned by the Ministry and 10 AAP studies are proposed. Out of the ten studies, the study on out of pocket expenditure in Karnataka would be conducted subject to availability of funds from Ministry. LASI would also be carried out, if granted by the nodal agency and yet another study depends on funding from NHSRC. They proposed stand-by studies for these three studies. Answering the query raised by ADG, on the man-months required for the standby studies, PRC Dharwad clarified that they have already assigned more than that of their actual available man months. Also they hoped that at least two projects will get granted. ADG suggested the inclusion of school going students also in a city based study proposed on "Tobacco consumption among college going students." All proposed studies [with modification suggested by ADG (Stats.)] were approved.

PRC, Gandhigram

The AAP studies of PRC, Gandhigram was presented by Dr. S. Ravichandran. During 2015-16, the PRC was allocated 12 PIP districts and approved 10 AAP studies. All the reports of 12 PIP Districts in Tamil Nadu were submitted. Out of the 10 AAP studies, 5 studies were submitted. One study has been carried forward to the next year owing to disturbance due to unusual heavy rain in the selected district. Reports of the remaining 4 studies would be sent before 15th April, 2016. The reason for pending studies was attributed to the lack of report writing capability of newly recruited Field Investigators.

For the year 2016-17, 12 PIP districts have been assigned for monitoring, all of which are in Madhya Pradesh. PRC, Gandhigram requested for exchange of at least some districts with other PRCs for two reasons. Firstly, the representation of females in the staffing pattern was more. Secondly, PRC, Gandhigram maintained good relations with the State and if they are not assigned PIP monitoring in any of the districts in Tamil Nadu and some other PRC is assigned districts in the State, the relationship is likely to be strained. Apart from PIP, 8 AAP studies have been proposed. Out of the 8 studies, 4 were desk studies, 3 field studies and one study pertained to the previous year. PRC, Gandhigram was instructed to review 2 studies proposed for the year 2016-17. ADG suggested PRC, Gandhigram could explore the

possibilities of selecting the two islands (UT: Andaman & Nicobar) also for their AAP studies.

The post lunch session began with a short event. Shri. C.R. K Nair, ADG (Stats.) released a book on 'Demographic Challenges in India' edited by Prof. Suresh Sharma of PRC, Delhi. The book was published by Athena Publications, UK.

PRC, ISEC, Bangalore

The first presenter of the post lunch session was Dr. T.S.Shyamala of PRC ISEC. During 2015-2016, PRC, ISEC was allocated 12 districts for PIP and approved 6 new AAP studies for 2015-16 along with 7 studies on-going from 2014-15. The PRC has completed all the 12 PIP districts (seven in Karnataka and 5 in Tamil Nadu) and all the reports submitted to the Ministry. Out of the 6 AAP studies of 2015-16, 2 have been carried forward to 2016-17, both under the authorship of C.M Lakshmana. The PRC has reported to have completed the remaining 4 AAP studies, though Ministry has received only 3 reports. Dr. Shyamala intimated that, as far as the 4th study was concerned, i.e. "Study on global aging and adult health (SAGE), India Wave 2 Project 2015", it involved only collection of data and no report writing, as required by the funding agency, International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai.

Out of the 7 studies ongoing from 2014-15, 3 were MoHFW funded studies and remaining 4 were funded by other agencies. The PRC has reported to have completed all the 4 studies funded by other agencies. The Ministry has received the reports pertaining to 2 out of the 3 MoHFW funded studies. The PRC was asked to send the report of the remaining study, i.e. "Understanding the out of pocket expenditure for the maternal care" by 15th April, 2016. For the year 2016-2017, 10 PIP districts have been assigned to PRC, ISEC. 8 new AAP studies were proposed. ADG advised that in the study on HMIS taken up by PRC, ISEC, suggestions and recommendations should be included so that it becomes an action research. To a question by ADG on whether any PRC has done any Action Research, PRC, Dharwad and PRC, Gandhigram responded that they had carried out Action Research. So ADG advised that all the PRCs could take up action research in future.

As the two studies initiated during 2015-2016 and carried forward to 2016-2017 were both to be authored by Dr. C.M Lakshmana, ADG(Stats) further enquired about the amount of work contributed by each in the PRC, during 2015-16. In reply to a question from ADG on how many studies are pending, it was conveyed that out of 6 studies proposed 2 were pending and carried forward for the next year. It was, decided that the individual work of research staff of ISEC, PRC needs to be reviewed. PRC, ISEC was advised to send a report

regarding the work done by each Research Staff of the PRC during the year 2015-16, after which MoHFW may depute some officer, if need be to visit the PRC.

PRC, Lucknow

Dr. Pradeep Mishra presented the status of studies done by PRC, Lucknow and those proposed for 2016-17. During 2015-16, the PRC was allocated 16 districts for PIP Monitoring, all of which were completed. Reports of 15 districts were sent to the Ministry and the remaining one pending report would be submitted by 31st Mar 2016. Other than PIP, 8 AAP studies were approved for the year. Out of the 8 AAP studies, 3 reports have been received by the Ministry, 2 studies were dropped, as PRC Lucknow had to take up NFHS-4 during the middle of the year and reports pertaining to 2 studies would be sent to the Ministry by 20th April, 2016. One study, "Declining Child Sex ratio in Uttar Pradesh: Multilevel analysis" was proposed to be completed during 2016-17 without counting man months of 2016-17.

Director (Stats.), Smt. Navanita Gogoi advised all the PRCs if they make any changes in the approved proposals, it must be with the prior approval of the Ministry and no changes should be made without Ministry's approval.

For the year 2016-17, 8 AAP studies have been proposed including the ongoing work of NFHS-4 survey. 12 districts have been assigned for PIP monitoring. The study on "Rolling Facility Survey" in 25 districts of UP has been planned to be undertaken but has not been included in the proposal as the MoU has not been signed. PRC, Lucknow reported that as and when the study is finalized it would be forwarded to MoHFW for approval to be included in the work plan for 2016-17. If this study is taken up, the two desk studies proposed for the year would be discarded.

In the case of PRC, Lucknow also, ADG noted that more than 30 percent of the man months has been reserved for externally funded projects and hence reiterated that all PRCs should abide by the norms. ADG informed the PRCs taking up studies on treatment seeking behaviour also to include 'rent seeking' behaviour which is usually an ignored concept these days. He added that it could be included as a component in the study proposed in the topic and need not be a separate study.

PRC, Guwahati

Dr. Dilip Kumar Kalita presented the work plan of PRC Guwahati. All the 12 PIP districts allotted by the MoHFW for 2015-16 were reported to be completed with onward transmission to MoHFW. 8 AAP studies were also completed and the reports have been

submitted. The major findings of the above studies were presented in the meeting. Appreciating PRC, Guwahati for completing all the studies of 2015-16, ADG enquired how they accomplished it. Dr. Kalita responded by saying that the main issue of delay was transfer of funds during the previous year and it no longer is an issue with them.

During 2016-17, PRC, Guwahati has been assigned 8 PIP districts for monitoring and they have proposed 5 AAP studies. The justification provided for selecting the studies was accepted, except for a desk study which relied on NFHS -4 data. PRC, Guwahati was asked to revise it. The rest of the studies were approved.

PRC, Patna

The last presentation of the day was made by PRC, Patna. It had 8 districts (2 Bihar, 2 Jharkhand and 4 West Bengal) for PIP monitoring during 2015-2016. All the reports were shared with Ministry. 3 desk studies and 2 field studies were completed and reports were received in the Ministry.

For 2016-17, PRC, Patna has been assigned 4 districts for PIP monitoring. It proposed 3 other AAP studies (2 field studies and one desk study). The proposal was approved.

The PRC shared their problem of insufficient manpower, because of which, they find it difficult to complete the work in time. The PRC has only two Research personnel. It was observed that, although posting of staff on contract basis is permitted, no initiative has been taken by the University. Therefore, the chair advised the PRC to initiate the process for new postings immediately as per present guidelines of MoHFW. DDG advised all the PRCs that the proposal completes in all respects should reach the Ministry one or two months in advance of retirement of concerned personnel so as to complete the process of engaging new staff.

Discussion on Administrative issues

The presentation session was followed by an Open session on various administrative issues. ADG (Stats.) initiated discussion on the following points.

1. Change in title of the meeting

ADG proposed that the title of the meeting could be changed as 'Annual Work Plan' since the PRCs are involved in Monitoring of PIP apart from research work and if it is a 'Work Plan' any kind of work could be included in it. All the delegates agreed to change the name from 'Annual Action Plan' to 'Annual Work Plan' from 2016-17 onwards.

2. Organizing a dissemination workshop and preparation of Compendium

ADG put forward a suggestion that the Ministry would explore the possibility of holding a dissemination workshop. This, he said, could happen in conjunction with the preparation of the compendium. The workshop can be held after receiving research works from all the PRCs for inclusion in the compendium. In the workshop organized to disseminate the findings of the PRC studies, participation from all the PRCs, the authors, other stake holders from the State and the Centre, other Ministries, and media should be invited so that it is organized in a wider perspective. Presence of media persons could make the PRCs output visible to the public. He suggested that the dissemination of findings and finalization of the research papers for inclusion in the compendium could be made then and there at the workshop. This could reduce the work of the PRC which coordinates the preparation of the compendium. Such an initiative, in his opinion, could encourage the PRCs to send more and more research work for the compendium. ADG also stated that the number of days could be fixed (one or two days) based on the number of research papers received or depending on the requirement.

3. Research Proposals for Annual Work plan

The third point was regarding the finalization of work plan of the PRCs. For 2016-17, the Ministry has finalized the work plan at the current meeting. But from the next year onwards, a panel of three experts would be formed from the PRCs to examine various AAP proposals from different PRCs. The research proposals for the subsequent year would be vetted by the panel before it comes for presentation and finalization at the AWP meeting. The studies recommended by the panel of experts would be considered by the Ministry for inclusion in the work plan. Such a procedure would be advantageous in selecting good research proposals which is otherwise difficult to be examined in one or two days of the meeting. This, he said, would improve the quality of research. This suggestion was put to the participants for a quick round of discussion. All the participants agreed to the proposal and hence it was approved. It was also decided that the Ministry would identify the panel of experts from the PRCs. The research proposals would first come to the Ministry and then the Ministry would forward that to the panel. Later, on receiving comments from the panel of experts, the Ministry would finalize the research proposals. One delegate suggested that the final reports of the panel should be peer reviewed before final acceptance. The ADG expressed his apprehension over the possible delay in the final acceptance of the report.

4. Selection of PRC for the Compendium of 2016-17

ADG asked whether there was any volunteer to compile the next PRC Compendium. PRC, Lucknow, PRC Delhi, PRC, Patna, PRC, Kerala and PRC Dharwad volunteered for it. After

deliberating, the task of coordination of the next compendium was entrusted with PRC, Kerala. ADG also discussed about the possibility of making it a priced publication. He also asked PRC, Kerala to start the preparation for publishing the compendium and suggested that it could take the suggestions from Prof. James of PRC, ISEC, who coordinated the work during the current year.

ADG (Stats) requested, Prof. K.S. James to read out the message placed in the compendium by the Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare. After reading it out, Prof. James shared his views on the compendium. He said that about 30 papers were received but after assessing the quality of the papers, only 16 papers were considered for publication in the compendium. Some of the papers were in the form of reports and some others did not adhere to the structure of a research paper. He concluded by saying that he hoped that the compendium would give everyone an idea of how research papers should be written and that it was a fascinating experience and thanked the Ministry for such initiative.

6. Presentation by Director (Stats)

Director (Stats) made a presentation regarding some of the issues. First she raised the issue relating to the Annual Report. As the Annual Report is placed in Parliament, the report quality should be improved. Although some PRCs prepare good Annual reports, the quality of reports of some PRCs are not good enough to be placed before the Parliament. Yet another problem highlighted was that the accounts shown in the Annual report were different from that in the utilization certificate. Hence the Utilization Certificate (UC) of the accounts should be accepted by the Ministry first and then included in the Annual Report. The second point was regarding the retirement benefits of PRC staff. When the retirement benefits are given along with the recurring grant in aid, if a person retires before he is eligible for retirement benefit, it is difficult for the Ministry to understand what happens to the money released for his retirement benefit. Hence the proposals of retirement benefits of those eligible only would be considered for release. Director (Stats) also pointed out that the fortnightly reports from PRCs should be sent properly as there are some discrepancies in the number of studies completed and ongoing. It was re-emphasized by Dir. (Stats) that future releases to PRCs will be linked to their individual performance.

7. Discussion on PIP Districts

This was followed by the discussion on PIP districts. Director (Stats) conveyed that the districts were selected in such a way that the PRCs who were asked to travel to distant districts in other States during last two years have been allocated nearby districts for this year as far as feasible. She added that Ministry considered many aspects before assigning districts. Sometimes in States where there are only a few districts, more districts from

other States have to be assigned. PRC, Gandhigram requested to change a few districts to that of Tamil Nadu. ADG supported PRC, Gandhigram's view that PRC, Gandhigram has more female staff and that not allocating any PIP districts in their own State would create issues with the State Govt. and hence advised that some of the districts allocated in Madhya Pradesh could be exchanged with other PRCs and PRC, Gandhigram be provided some districts in Tamil Nadu. There was a request from PRC Guwahati to change one district of Meghalaya with another due to the problem of insurgency in that particular district, which was also agreed to.

8. Other Administrative issues

PRC, Sagar raised some administrative issues in their PRC, like problems with claiming medical reimbursement, not getting annual increments etc. and conveyed that the University has not yet responded to the letter from the Ministry to sort out these issues. PRC, Sagar requested a representative from the Ministry to visit the University to discuss the issues with the Vice Chancellor to get a solution.

PRC, Chandigarh and PRC, Sagar requested for increase in ceiling in the head wise amount and increasing the number of days of DA allotted. PRC, Lucknow raised apprehension about the condition on 'travelling by public transport' mentioned in the fund allocation order issued by the Ministry. They said that some of the PRC members face difficulty in travelling and when such a condition is laid down in the order, the University objects to the taxi bills. The Ministry asked the PRCs to send specific proposal immediately (not later than within a fortnight) for the Ministry for consideration.

9. Discussion on EPF issues

PRC, Gandhigram and PRC, Dharwad raised the issue of EPF contribution which was 12 percent whereas the Ministry provides only 10 percent. Since most of the PRCs are following the EPF rules some decision was requested from the Ministry to make the contribution 12 percent. Ministry agreed that the issue would be examined, if appropriate references are received from the PRCs.

PRC, Dharwad requested the Ministry to include the AWP studies to be taken up in the State also, while writing to the States for the PIP Monitoring which was agreed to.

10. Discussion on staffing issues

The Honorary Director, PRC, Baroda expressed concern regarding the future of PRCs. Questioning the purpose of inviting Hon. Directors to the meeting, he referred to ADG's

remark during his inaugural address that no appointment issues would be taken up. He requested the Ministry to make appointments wherever there is dearth of staff. Expressing his apprehension over the future of PRCs, he said that PRCs would slowly die out, if appointments are not made. The period of one year for filling up the posts, according to him, is also not sufficient as the University has its own procedures of appointment and delay occurs in every letter that has to be sent. He also said that the Ministry should consider raising the honorarium of Rs, 2500/- for Hon. Directors.

The Honorary Director of PRC Chandigarh also raised her concern on the future of the contract staff appointed in the PRCs in the recent past. Praising the performance of her own permanent PRC staff, she mentioned that the contract staff lacks motivation to perform well, as they are appointed only for 3 years. She requested the Ministry to consider this issue. All the other Honorary Directors also raised this issue. The Honorary Director of PRC Srinagar requested the Ministry to consider giving administrative powers to the senior-most member of the PRC where there is no Director, as the PRC Staff are well aware of the PRCs issues, and taking the example of her own PRC she explained how the PRC staff work tirelessly to complete the work assigned to them.

In reply, ADG first expressed shock in the remark from the Hon. Directors about their lack of clarity in their own roles as Hon. Directors. ADG reminded that two years back the performance was quite poor and no one would have supported the PRCs existence. With serious efforts, the functioning of PRCs have improved a lot in two years. He was of the opinion that the PRCs have to be patient for some more time. When the PRCs reach a stage when they could make demands, things could change for the better and that it was premature to raise these issues now. To the question of filling up of vacancies, ADG stated that abolishing of posts, if they remain vacant for more than one year was the decision of the Finance Ministry which applies not only to PRCs but to every Office.

With regard to the delays occurring at the University level, ADG replied that the PRCs should follow it up. He remarked that today's work nature is one of multi-tasking and it is applicable to everyone. Demand for hike in honorarium for the Hon. Directors may be considered by the Ministry. With regard to the correspondence to Registrars and Hon. Directors, ADG informed that the decision to send communications also to Registrars, was not to belittle the Hon. Directors but because the Universities are administratively responsible for the PRCs and, therefore, Ministry corresponds also with the Registrars. The correspondence from the Ministry can henceforth be addressed to the Hon. Directors with a copy to the Registrars.

In reply to the question of the future of contract staff, ADG said that PRCs were not created as a welfare measure for providing employment opportunities and as long as there is no shortage of getting contract staff, this procedure of contract appointment may continue.

At the end of the discussion on administrative issues, as all the PRCs had assembled together, PRC, Kerala organized a small function to thank the ADG (Stats) for his contributions to the PRCs. Hon. Director, PRC, Kerala and some of the PRC Representatives shared their experience of working under ADG's leadership and thanked him for his contributions in helping them improve their performance and bringing the PRCs to some limelight. ADG in his reply to the toast said that he was thankful for the confidence the PRCs bestowed on him and hoped that the PRCs would continue the good work they are doing and wished the PRCs all the best.

Day 2: 29th March 2016

The second days meeting was chaired by Shri P.C Cyriac, DDG (Stats).

PRC, Punjab

Dr. Reena Singh made the presentation at the meeting for PRC, Punjab. The PRC completed all the 12 PIP monitoring district reports of 2015-2016. Out of the 5 AAP studies approved for the year, one study funded by SIHFW was dropped due to non-allocation of funds. Remaining 4 studies were completed and the reports were submitted to the Ministry.

For 2016-17, 12 PIP districts for monitoring have been allocated. 5 AAP studies have been proposed. The PRC discussed about salient features of some of the studies proposed. Two of the researchers were due to retire during the ensuing year. After detailed discussions, the proposed studies were approved.

PRC, Pune

For PRC, Pune, Dr. Vini Sivanandan presented the work plan. For 2015-16, 8 PIP districts were allocated and 5 AAP studies approved. In addition to this, one study from 2014-15 was carried forward. The PRC has completed all PIP districts and submitted reports. Out of the five AAP studies, the Ministry has received reports pertaining to 2 studies. About the 3rd report, it was stated by PRC, Pune that they included it in PIP report. The report of the remaining 2 studies would be submitted by 15th April 2016.

8 PIP districts have been assigned for the year 2016-2017. In addition to that, the PRC has proposed 4 AAP studies for 2016-2017. PRC, Pune was asked to revise the AWP, 2016-17

by revising the man-months and to include one more study. In connection with the study on HMIS data quality, a field visit was planned in two PIP districts. DDG asked PRC, Pune to prepare separate report for HMIS study, since separate proposal was approved for such studies.

PRC, Sagar

Dr. Reena Basu presented the status of studies of 2015-16 and those proposed for 2016-17 for PRC, Sagar. During the year 2015-16, the PRC was allocated 8 districts for PIP monitoring, all of which have been completed and reports submitted. In addition, 3 AAP studies were approved for the year 2015-16. The PRC was yet to complete any of these 3 studies. They intimated that they have completed the draft reports and would submit the final reports pertaining to 2 out of the 3 AAP studies by 30th April, 2016. One study, "Assessment of PPIUCD programme in MP and CG" has been carried forward for the next year, i.e. 2016-17. Moreover, 2 AAP studies from previous year i.e 2014-15 were completed in this period – reports of which would also be submitted by 15th April, 2016.

The PRC informed that the delay was due to the continuous absence of two employees. DDG commented that it was purely lethargy on the part of the administration for not taking suitable action to sort out the issue at the University level. DDG informed that in the current year, salary will be released for only four staff at PRC, Sagar, excluding the staff who has been on continuous without pay leave since last year.

For 2016-17, 8 PIP districts are assigned by the Ministry. 2 AAP studies have been proposed. Direction was given to revise the proposal by adding a desk study and to recalculate the available man months and to submit it by 4.4.2016.

PRC, Shimla

PRC Shimla's work plan was presented by Dr. Savita Thakur. All the 8 PIP districts reports and the 5 AAP studies including two studies pertaining to 2014-2015 were completed during 2015-16 and submitted to the Ministry. The findings and suggestions of the studies were presented in the meeting.

For 2016-17, 4 PIP districts have been allocated. In addition, 4 AAP studies have been proposed, in addition to the existing work relating to NFHS-4 . DDG enquired about the source data to be used for one of the proposed studies. Suitable explanation was provided and the proposal was approved.

PRC, Srinagar

Dr. Basheer Ahmad Bhatt made the presentation for PRC, Srinagar. Out of the 6 PIP districts assigned for the year 2015-16, 5 districts have been completed and reports have been submitted. PRC, Srinagar requested 10 days more to submit the 6th report to the Ministry. In addition, 7 AAP studies were approved for the year 2015-16. Out of these, 4 studies have been dropped without consulting MoHFW reportedly on account of work load of NFHS-4. Reports pertaining to the study "Evaluation of Utilization of Untied Funds in J & K" would be sent to the Ministry by 30th April, 2016. The study "Trends and Patterns of Child Sex ratio in J & K" has been carried forward for the next year. The Ministry has received reports pertaining to the remaining one AAP study. Appreciating PRC Srinagar for taking up NFHS-4, DDG conveyed that AAP studies have to be completed in time as well and that PRC, Srinagar is the only PRC that has not furnished the fortnightly status as required. The Honorary Director assured that the status of work of PRC will be sent to MoHFW promptly henceforth as per Ministry's instructions.

PRC, Srinagar has been assigned 12 PIP districts for the 2016-17. Apart from this, the PRC, proposed only 3 new AAP studies in addition to the ongoing study, considering the work of NFHS 4. It was also observed that the originally proposed studies have been reduced at the time of presentation. However, since the PRC has a total of 72 man-months available, DDG instructed them to revise the proposal and include more studies.

PRC, Udaipur

Dr. R.K Sharma and Dr. B.L.Nagda made the presentation for PRC Udaipur. All the studies (4 PIP districts allocated and 4 AAP studies) approved for 2015-16 were completed and report submitted to the Ministry.

For the year 2016-17, 4 PIP districts have been allocated. In addition to that, 3 AAP studies also have been proposed. Considering that out of the two employees one would be retiring in July 2016, DDG advised them to revise their proposal with realistic man months calculation.

PRC, Visakhapatnam

For PRC, Visakhapatnam, Dr. Sudhakar Babu made the presentation. During the year 2015-2016, 4 AAP studies were approved and allocated 4 PIP districts. The PRC has completed all PIP districts and submitted reports to the Ministry. Out of the 4 AAP studies, 3 have been completed and reports submitted. The report pertaining to the remaining one study would be submitted by the 30th April, 2016.

For 2016-17, 4 PIP districts have been allocated for monitoring and 4 AAP studies proposed by the PRC. The methodologies for these studies were discussed and all the studies were approved.

PRC, Bhubaneswar

PRC, Bhubaneswar was represented by Dr. Kanakalatha Devi. During 2015-16, 4 PIP districts were allocated to the PRC, reports of all of which were submitted. In addition, 4 AAP studies were approved against which the Ministry has received reports pertaining to 2 studies (with changed titles) and one study could not be undertaken due to some administrative problems concerning TA/DA. The report of one delayed study would be sent at the earliest. DDG advised not to change the title of any of the approved study without the prior approval of the Ministry. He expressed concern over the poor performance of the PRC.

For 2016-17, PRC, Bhubaneswar was allocated 4 PIP districts and the PRC has proposed 2 AAP studies which were approved.

All the presentations were completed as scheduled. A short presentation by Shri Bandyopadhyay Consultant, PRC Cell, was followed, which covered the functional difficulties in processing of releasing grants-in-aid to PRCs, due to non-clarity in accounts details, quarterly progress report, etc. The points to be scrutinized were pointed out : such as the opening and closing balance should match, expenditure statements in UCs should match with Receipts & Payment A/c.; opening/closing balance of UCs should match with bank statement, expenditure figures in UC should match with Income & Expenditure account; quarterly progress report should also match with the statement of accounts provided. Before release of first installment, the conditions already laid down should be strictly adhered to. The original documents duly signed by the competent authorities should be forwarded. He displayed sample documents and explained all the enclosures to be produced with the UC.

As final remark, Director (Stats) emphasized on the following: Timely submission of UCs, timely submission of Quarterly, Annual Report to be placed in Parliament, submission of revised proposals as per instructions provided in the meeting to some of the PRCs by 4th April, 2016 and all AAP / PIP reports being sent to Ministry to be in soft copies. It was also emphasized that the releases of funds to PRCs will be linked to their satisfactory performance.

Concluding Session

The concluding session included closing remarks first by Director (Stats) thanking PRC, Kerala for organizing the conference at a short notice. She added that the arrangements were good and everybody had a comfortable stay. She thanked the Institute Directors and Hon. Directors and PRC, Officials for attending the meeting. DDG (Stats) in his remarks also appreciated PRC Kerala for making excellent arrangement and making the meeting a successful one. He added that the involvement of all the PRC Staff in organizing the meeting was visible as all the arrangements were perfectly made.

Hon. Director PRC, Kerala in his closing remarks thanked the Ministry for bestowing confidence in PRC, Kerala to organize the meeting. PRC, Kerala also honored three PRC staff who are retiring this year: Dr. B L Nagda of PRC, Udaipur, Dr. Sudhakar Babu of PRC, Visakhapatnam and Dr. Reena Singh of PRC, Punjab by presenting mementos. DDG (Stats) and a few others also shared their experience of working with them.

Some of the PRCs have subsequently revised their AWP as advised in the meeting and the approved Annual Work Plan, 2016-17 for all 18 PRCs are at Annexure-II. The approved allocation of districts for PIP monitoring during 2016-17 are at Annexure – III.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. L. Shylaja, PRC, Kerala.

Annexure-I
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Annexure-II
Approved annual work plan: 2016-17

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5	Ms. Nilam V Panchal	Field Investigator
6	Dr. Rajnikant M Patel	Field Investigator

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	PIP monitoring studies (12 districts) allotted by MoHFW, GOI	Field study	MoHFW	24 MM	All staff
2	ANC services in Tapi (rural) district of Gujarat: an assessment of data quality of HMIS and E-Mamta	Desk and Field Study	MoHFW,	6 persons * 3 month = 18 MM	Gayatri S Desai, Nitin H Bhatt, Rajnikant M Patel, Arvind J Mistry, Varsha D Chitania, Nilam V Panchal
3	Improving the functioning of HMIS in Narmada district of Gujarat	Field study	MoHFW,	3 persons x 3 months = 9 MM	Gayatri S Desai, Varsha D Chitania, Nilam V Panchal

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
4	Strengthening E-mamta System in Narmada district of Gujarat	Field study	MoHFW,	3 persons * 3 month = 9 MM	Nitin H Bhatt, Rajnikant M Patel, Arvind J Mistry
5	A study on JSSK in one of the tribal districts of Gujarat	Field study	MoHFW,	4 persons * 3 month = 12 MM	Nitin Bhatt, Nilam V Panchal, Arvind J Mistry, Varsha D Chitania
6	Examining the taluka level performance in 3 high focus (Sabarkantha, Banaskantha and Kutchh) districts of Gujarat using HMIS index	Field study	MoHFW	2 persons * 1.5 month = 3 MM	Gayatri S Desai, Rajnikant M Patel

2. PRC, ISEC Bengaluru

Research personnel

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3	C. M. Lakshmana	Associate Professor
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5	P. Prahuswamy	Research Analyst
6	C. Yogananda	Research Analyst
7	Ms. Savita	ComputationalAssistant (temporary)

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	PIP monitoring of 10 districts	Field study	MoHFW	20 MM	All staff
2	Increased Awareness, Access and Quality of Elderly Services	Desk and field study	UNFPA	5 Months	K S James and T.S. Syamala
3	Multidimensional Wellbeing: Conceptual Methodological and Analytical Perspectives	Desk Study	ICSSR	1 Month	K S James
4	Coverage and Quality Data Captured by HMIS: A Facility Level	Desk Study	-	5 Months	P Prabhuswamy , T.S. Syamala and Savitha

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	Analysis in Karnataka				
5	Role and Functions of ASHA Workers in Rural Karnataka: A Case Study	Field Study	-	8 Months	P Prabhuswamy , T.S. Syamala and Savitha
6	Living Arrangement Concordance and Wellbeing of Older Persons in India	Desk Study	-	5 Months	T.S. Syamala. C Yogananda and Savitha
7	Increasing Caesarean Section Deliveries in Urban India: An Investigation	Desk Study	-	5 Months	T.S. Syamala, P Prabhuswamy , and Savitha

On-going studies initiated during 2015-2016

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Functioning of AYUSH Centers in Karnataka: An Overview	Field Study	PRC	10 Months	C.M. Lakshmana and C.Yogananda
2	Knowledge and Attitude of Family Planning Methods: A comparative analysis in selected states of India	Desk Study	PRC	3 Months	C.M. Lakshmana and C.Yogananda

3. PRC, Bhubaneswar

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1	PIP Monitoring in 4 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	8MM	All Staff
2	Adolescent Sexual Health: Knowledge, Attitude and Practice among the Slums of Bhubaneswar	Field and desk study	TA/DA grant of the MoH&FW, GoI	8 Months	Dr. Kanaklata Devi
3	Exploration of extent of Out of Pocket Expenditure of JSSK Beneficiaries in two districts of Odisha	Field and desk study	TA/DA grant of the MoH&FW, GoI	8 Months	Sri Satyanarayan Swain

The research staffs are also engaged in preparation of budget, Annual Action Plan, Annual Report and other administrative day to day activities of the PRC in absence of Deputy Director, Assistant Director and the Office Assistant.

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5	Dr. Shaik Iftikhar Ahmad	Research Assistant

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	NHM Programme Implementation Plan (PIP) (8 districts)	Field Study	MoHFW	16 MM	All Staff
2	Regular Teaching Assignment in the Ph.D. Programme in Economics at CRRID	Activity	No cost implication for MoHFW	8 MM	Dr. Aswini Kumar Nanda and Dr. Rajesh Kumar Aggarwal
3	Assessment of the Functioning of Accredited Social Health Activists under NHM in Punjab	Field study	PRC Annual Grant	2 persons * 5 month = 10 MM	Dr. Pawan Kumar Sharma Ms. Poonam Sandhir
4	Out-of-Pocket Expenditures on Institutional Delivery in Punjab	Field study	PRC Annual Grant	2 persons * 4 month = 8 MM	Dr. Pawan Kumar Sharma and Ms. Poonam Sandhir
5	Assessment and Monitoring of	Field and	PRC Annual	2 persons * 3	Dr. Pawan Kumar Sharma

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	Quality of HMIS Data on Indicators of Mortality in Punjab	desk study	Grant	month = 6 MM	and Ms. Poonam Sandhir
6	Functioning of Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Committee in Punjab: An Appraisal	Field study	PRC Annual budget	1 person * 7 months = 7 MM	Dr. Shaik Iftikhar Ahmed
7	Personnel Hygiene of Adolescents in Punjab: A Study of Muslim Girls	Field study	PRC Annual budget	1 person * 5 months = 5 MM	Dr. Shaik Iftikhar Ahmed
8	Other studies to be assigned by CRRID, the parent institute				

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1	PIP monitoring of 20 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	40 MM	All Staff
2	Out-of-Pocket Expenditure for Health Care service Utilisation in Karnataka@	Field study	MoHFW	12 Months	J S Hallad
3	Chronic Diseases and Disability among Elderly in India	Desk analysis	NA	6 Months	J S Hallad
4	Tobacco and Alcohol Consumption among Students: A Behavioral study in Belgaum City	Field study	MoHFW - PRC Budget	12 Months	Shriprasad H
5	Living Arrangements and Health Seeking Behavior of Elderly: A Study in Rural and Urban areas	Field study	MoHFW - PRC Budget	11 Months	R.V. Deshpande
6	Childhood Morbidity and Treatment Patterns: A Study in Hubli Dharwad Slums	Field study	MoHFW - PRC Budget	12 Months	Rajarama K E T
7	Healthcare Behavior and Complications during Pregnancy, Delivery and Postnatal Stages in Karnataka	Field study	MoHFW - PRC Budget	10 Months	BasavarajPundapp anavar and J. S. Hallad
8	Prevalence of neonatal morbidities and treatment seeking in Karnataka, India	Field study	MoHFW - PRC Budget	10 Months	Javed A Golndaj and J. S. Hallad
9	Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI) – Main Wave 1 & 2	Field study	IIPS, Mumbai	40 Months	All Faculty, Research and Technical staff
10	Evaluation of Incentive Schemes	Field study	NHSRC, New Delhi	15 Months	All Faculty, Research and Technical staff
Standby Studies					

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
11	Awareness & Utilization of Health Schemes	Field study	PRC Budget	12 Months	Manjula G. Hadagalimath
12	Rent -Seeking Behaviour while getting Maternal Health Care Services in Karnataka	Field study	MoHFW, New Delhi	12 Months	J S Hallad

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Sl. No.	Name of the Study - Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	PIP monitoring of 24 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	48 MM	All Staff
2	Missing Girls and the Facts about Gender Equity in Education	Field Study and Desk Study	MoHFW	10 Months	Dr. Ruby Alambusha Singh , Ms. Sahilja Jatiani, and Dr. Vidya Sagar
3	Health Expenditure and Its	Desk study	MoHFW	10 Months	Dr. Suresh Sharma, Ms. Manisha

Sl. No.	Name of the Study - Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	Repercussions on Health Status - A Cross Country Analysis				Bothra and Ms. Renu Sain
4	Utilization and Financing of health care services for treatment of Tuberculosis in India: Challenges and Policy Implications for the RNTCP Programme	Desk and Field study	MoHFW	10 Months	Dr. William Joe, Dr. Suresh Sharma, Dr. Niranjana Rout and Ms. Jyoti Saini
5	Neonatal Mortality Rate Projection: Will Indian States Achieve Sustainable Development Goal 3?	Desk study	-	8 months	Dr. Suresh Sharma, and Ms. Anupama George
6	Gender disparities in morbidities and healthcare use among older adults in India	Desk study	-	8 Months	Dr. Ruby Alambusha Singh, Ms. Shailja Jatiani and Mr. Ramashish Yadav
7	Slow Pace of Fertility Decline in Bihar: An Examination of Unmet Need	Desk study	-	8 Months	Dr. Vidya Sagar Trigun, Ms. Renu Sain and Ms. Sangam Singh
8	Children Deprived of Childhood: A study of child labor in Delhi	Field Study and Desk study	MoHFW	9 Months	Dr. Ruby Alambusha Singh, Ms. Shailja Jatiani and Ms. Renu Sain
9	Open Defecation in India: dimensions and determinants	Desk Study	-	8 Months	Mr. Ramashish Yadav, Ms. Manisha Bothra
10	Increasing Prevalence of C-Section Deliveries in the District/s of Delhi Metropolitan City	Field study and Desk study	MoHFW	8 Months	Ms. Sangam Singh, Ms. Anupama George and Dr. Suresh Sharma
11	NHM implementation and performance of Maternal and Child health care in Tribal districts of	Desk work	-	9 Months	Ms. Jyoti Saini, Ms. Shailja Jatiani and Dr. William Joe

Sl. No.	Name of the Study - Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	India; A comparative analysis across the high focus districts.				
12	Nutritional Status of School Aged Children and Adolescents (5-18 years) across the EAG States and Assam: Prevalence, Patterns, and Policy Options	Desk study	-	7 Months	Dr. Niranjan Rout , Ms. Sangam Singh, and Dr. William Joe

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Sl. No.	Name of the Study - Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	PIP monitoring of 12 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	24 MM	All Staff
2	Reproductive behavior and health status of primitive tribes in the Gudalore block in Tamil Nadu	Field study	MoHFW	8 MM	Dr.N .Dhanabhagam, Dr. N. Kala, Mr. V. Saravanakumar, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar, Ms. K. Kanmani and Mr. S.C. Sivagurunathan
3	Path to Population decline: A study on negative growth of population during 2001-2011 in the Nilgiris district of Tamil Nadu.	Both desk and field	MoHFW (PRC)	8 MM	Dr.S.Ravichandran , Dr. N. Kala, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar, Ms. K. Kanmani and Mr. S.C.

Sl. No.	Name of the Study – Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
					Sivagurunathan
4	A Study on Functioning of Rogi Kalyan Samitis (RKS-Patient Welfare Societies – PWS) in Tamil Nadu	Field study	MoHFW	8 MM	Dr.S.Ravichandran, Dr. N. Kala, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar, Ms. K. Kanmani and Mr. S.C. Sivagurunathan
5	Situation Analysis of Primary Health Care in Tamil Nadu: Case study of one Community Development Block each in three Districts of Tamil Nadu	Field study	MoHFW	11 MM	Dr.S.Ravichandran, Dr. N. Kala, Mr. V. Saravanakumar, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar, Ms. K. Kanmani and Mr. S.C. Sivagurunathan
6	A Study on implementation of National Health Mission components in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep	Field study	MoHFW – PRC funds	4 MM	Dr.S.Ravichandran, Mr. V. Saravanakumar and Mr. S.C. Sivagurunathan
7	Health status of Female Garment Workers in Tamil Nadu	Field study	MoHFW	8 MM	Dr. N.Dhanabaghyam, Dr. N. Kala, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar and Ms. K. Kanmani
8	Trends in Pregnancy wastage in Tamil Nadu –causes and consequences	Desk study	MoHFW	5 MM	Dr. N.Dhanabaghyam, Dr. N. Kala, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar and Ms. K. Kanmani
9	Out of Pocket expenses on Maternal Health and Delivery care in Tamil Nadu	Field Study	MoHFW- PRC	8 MM	Mr.V.Saravanakumar, Mr. M. Senthil Kumar, Ms. K.

Sl. No.	Name of the Study - Research Proposal	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
					Kanmani and Mr. S.C. Sivagurunathan

Standby study:

A study on implementation of National Health Mission components in the Andaman and Nicobar islands.

8. PRC, Guwahati

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Dilip Kr. Kalita	Associate Professor
2	Dr. Gobinda Pathak	Research Investigator
3	Monoj Kr. Dutta	Field Investigator
4	Dipak Das	Field Investigator
5	Arpita Basak	Research Fellow -2

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	PIP Monitoring in 8 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	16 MM	All Staff
2	Out of Pocket Expenditure for MCH Care Services in Kamrup (Rural) district of Assam	Field Study	Proposed to MoHFW, GOI.(This Study will be covered from PRC, Guwahati regular fund)	9 MM	i) Dr. Dilip K. Kalita, ii) Mr. Manoj Kr. Dutta, iii) Mr. Dipak Das, FI
3	Evaluation of Janani-Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK) in Dhubri district of Assam.	Field Study	Proposed to MoHFW, GOI.(This Study will be covered from	10 MM	i) Dr. Gobinda Pathak, ii) Mr. Manoj K. Dutta,

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
			PRC, Guwahati regular fund)		
4	A study on Special Newborn Care Unit (SNCU) in Assam	Field Study	Proposed to MoHFW, GOI. (This Study will be covered from PRC, Guwahati regular fund)	9 MM	i) Dr. Dilip K. kalita, ii) Dr. Gobinda Pathak, iii) Mr. Dipak Das,
5	Impact of Literacy on Neo-natal and Infant mortality in Assam- Evidence from Census, SRS and AHS data.	Desk study	Does not arise	5 MM	Arpita Basak
6	Evaluation of Village health sanitation & Nutrition committees (VHSNCs) in Kamrup rural district, Assam.	Field study	Regular Fund of PRC, Guwahat	11 MM	Dr. D. K. Kalita, Dr. G. Pathak, Mr. M.K. Dutta, Mr. D. Das

Note-1) Exact date and month of initiation and completion of the other studies would depend on number and date of initiation of the PIP studies.

2) Arpita Basak, Research Fellow-2:- 3 years service period will be completed by 3rd September, 2016.

9. PRC, Kerala

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Shylaja L.	Research Officer
2	Dr. Sajini B.Nair	Social Scientist
3	Dr. S .Suresh Kumar	Documentalist
4	Dr. A. Sreeranjini	Research Investigator
5	Dr. Oommen P. Mathew	Research Investigator
6	K. Anil Kumar	Research Investigator
7	Dr. K.R. Anithakumari	Field Investigator
8	M.C. Mathew	Field Investigator
9	Sachin K. V	Field Investigator
10	Dr. Rajesh J. Nair	Field Investigator
11	Dr. Saritha P.Viswan*	Data Assistant

* on leave

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Monthly Monitoring of NRHM PIP 2015-16 in 20 Districts	Field Study	MoHFW	40 MM	All Staff
2	Trends and determinants of Caesarean section deliveries in Kerala: A hospital based study	Field Study	TA/DA Recurring Grant-in aid,	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Shylaja L and Dr. Suresh Kumar S

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
			MoHFW		
3	A study on thyroid dysfunction and diabetes mellitus	Field Study	TA DA of Grant -in - aid , MoHFW	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. A. SREERANJINI, Dr. RAJESH J NAIR
4	Assessment of accuracy of MCTS data – A longitudinal study in Palakkad district	Field Study	TA/DA Recurring Grant-in aid, MoHFW	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Oommen P.Mathew and Sachin K.V
5	Coordination of Grass root level workers in the health system in Kerala	Field Study	TA/DA Recurring Grant-in aid, MoHFW	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr Anitha Kumari K R and Anil Kumar K
6	A Study on Functioning of Anganwadi Centres under ICDS Scheme in Kerala.	Field Study	TA/DA Recurring Grant-in aid, MoHFW	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Sajini B Nair and Mathew M C
7	An Assessment of School Health Programmes in Kerala	Field Study	Non-funding	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Rajesh J Nair & Mathew M.C
8	The Utilization of health service delivery system for ANC care services in EAG states	Desk Study	Nil	1 person * 4 months = 4 MM	Dr. A. SREERANJINI

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
9	Child Sexual Abuse among School	Field Study	Non-funded	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr Suresh Kumar S. and Dr Anitha Kumari K R
10	Age and gender differentials in disease burden	Field Study	Non-funded	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Shylaja L, Sachin K.V
11	A Study on increasing trend and causes of Divorce in Kerala	Field Study	Nil	2 persons * 4 months = 8 MM	Dr. Oommen P.Mathew and Anil Kumar K
12	Fertility among Scheduled tribes in India	Desk Study	Nil	1 person * 2 months = 2 MM	Dr. Sajini B Nair
13	Active and Healthy aging in India	Desk Study	Nil	1 person * 2 months = 2 MM	Dr. Sajini B Nair

Standby Studies

1. Longitudinal Ageing Study in India Main Wave 1 & 2 (PRC Kerala has taken part in the bidding process)

If LASI is awarded, two or three non funded studies will be eliminated and the man-months of Research Personnel will be adjusted

2. Out of Pocket Health Expenditure for Health Care Service Utilization in Kerala (Suggested as standby study subjected to financial sanction from MoHFW)

10. PRC, Lucknow

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr Pradeep Mishra	Additional Director
2	Dr Rajesh Kumar Chauhan	Joint Director
3	Dr PK Mamgain	Assistant Director
4	Mr Ajay Pandey	Assistant Director
5	Mrs Rekha Bora	Field Investigator
6	Mr Manoj K Chatterjee	Field Investigator
7	Mr Akhil Kumar Singh	Field Investigator

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
1	NHM PIP Monitoring in 12 Districts	Field Study	MoHFW	24 MM	All Staff
2	National Family Health Survey in Uttar Pradesh (West)	Field Study	IIPS, Mumbai study	1Px6M + 1Px5M + 2Px2M = 15 MM	Dr Pradeep Mishra, Dr Rajesh Kumar Chauhan, Mr Manoj K Chatterjee and Mr Akhil Kumar Singh
3	HMIS: Implementation and Bottlenecks at data uploading facilities in a district	Field Study	Regular grant of PRC	2Px4M + 2Px3M = 14 MM	Dr. P.K. Mamgain, Mrs Rekha Bora, M.K. Chatterjee and Mr Akhil

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
					Kumar Singh
4	Evaluation of functioning and service utilization by community in some MCH Sub Centres in a district of Uttar Pradesh	Field Study	Regular grant of PRC	2Px4M + 2Px3M = 14 MM	Dr. P.K. Mamgain, Mrs Rekha Bora, M.K. Chatterjee and Mr Akhil Kumar Singh
5	Child Marriage Restraint Act: Study on its implementation	Desk	PRC	1Px4M = 4 MM	Mr. Ajay Pandey
6	Reproductive Health Status and Health Seeking Behaviour among women in Agra city of Uttar Pradesh	Desk	PRC	1Px4M = 4 MM	Mr. Ajay Pandey
7	Assessment of schemes relating to Maternal and Child Health under NHM in some districts of Uttar Pradesh	Desk Study	Regular grant of PRC	1Px3M + 1Px2M = 5 MM	Dr. Pradeep Mishra and Dr Rajesh K Chauhan
8	Factors affecting the health seeking behavior in Uttar Pradesh	Desk Study	Regular grant of PRC	1Px3M + 1Px1M = 4 MM	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chauhan & Dr Pradeep Mishra
On Going Study (Backlog of 2015-16)					
9	Declining Child Sex Ratio in Uttar Pradesh: Multilevel Analysis	Desk Study	Regular grant of PRC	0	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chauhan

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
10	Does Presences of Syphilis indicate HIV infection possibility among ANC Women: How pronounced is the Relationship?*	Desk	PRC	0	Mr. Ajay Pandey

* The data from NACO still wanted. Request for data made to Additional Secretary NACO in Nov 2015

11. PRC, Patna

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Dilip Kumar	Joint Director
2	Sri Dhanesh Kumar	Analyst

Sl. No.	Name of the study	Desk/Field study	Source of fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
1.	Evaluation of Programme Implementation Plan (PIP)- 4 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	8 MM	All Staff
2.	An Assessment of Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakaram (JSSK) in Muzaffarpur and Sitamarhi districts of Bihar State.	Field Study	Regular TA/DA fund of the PRC, Patna.	2P x 5M = 10 MM	Dr. Dilip Kumar and Sri Dhanesh Kumar
3.	Assessment of Knowledge and Training Needs of Gram Panchayat Mukhiya regarding Health and Family Welfare Programmes in Patna and Vaishali districts of Bihar State.	Field Study	Regular TA/DA fund of the PRC, Patna.	2Px 7M = 14 MM	Dr. Dilip Kumar and Sri Dhanesh Kumar
4.	An Assessment of the Quality of Family Welfare Services in Jharkhand State.	Desk Study	Regular TA/DA fund of the PRC, Patna.	2Px 3M = 6 MM	Dr. Dilip Kumar and Sri Dhanesh Kumar

12. PRC, Punjab University

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Reena Singh	Associate Professor
2	Dr. Sawarn Singh	Assistant Professor
3	Dr. Sukhbir Singh	Research Assistant
4	Dr. Tarun Bala	Research Assistant
5	Dr. Manmohan Singh	Research Assistant

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Quality Monitoring of State Programme Implementation Plan 2015-16 under NRHM (12 districts)	Field Study	MoHFW	24 MM	All Staff
2	Situational analysis of the AYUSH services in Haryana State	Field study	Ministry	9Months	Dr. Sukhbir Singh and Dr. Reena Singh
3	An Assessment of Functioning of SNCU in Haryana	Field study	PRC funds/MoHFW	7 Months	Dr.Tarun Bala and Dr. Manmohan Singh
4	An Assessment of Urban PHCs In Haryana	Field study	PRC funds/MoHFW	7 Months	Dr. Manmohan Singh and Dr. Sukhbir Singh
5	A Pilot Study on Out of Pocket Expenditure on Maternal Health	Field study	PRC funds/MoHFW	4 Months	Dr.Sawarn Singh and Dr. Tarun Bala

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Desk/Field study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	Services in Haryana				

13. PRC Pune

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Vini Sivanandan	Assistant Professor
2	Mr. Arun Pisal	Research Investigator
3	Mr. Raj Pol	Research Investigator
4	Mr. Akram Khan	Field Investigator
5	Mr. A.P. Prashik	Field Investigator

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
1	Quality Monitoring of Programme Implementation Plan (PIP) - 8 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	16 MM	All Staff
2	An Assessment of C-section deliveries in Bhandara district of Maharashtra	Field study	TA/DA of PRC	5Px4M = 20 MM	Vini Sivanandan, Arun Pisal, A Prashik, Raj Pol, Akram Khan

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
3	Morbidity and Mortality pattern of childhood illness in Maharashtra	Desk Study	MOHFW	5P×1M = 5 MM	Vini Sivanandan, Arun Pisal, A Prashik, Raj Pol, Akram Khan
4	Health disparity and Inequities among Disabled Population of India	Desk Study	MOHFW	5P×1M = 5 MM	Vini Sivanandan, Arun Pisal, A Prashik, Raj Pol, Akram Khan
5	Analysis of Quality of HMIS Data for all the Districts of Maharashtra	Desk Study	MOHFW	5P× 15(days) = 2.5 MM	Vini Sivanandan, Arun Pisal, A Prashik, Raj Pol, Akram Khan
6	Health hazards due to pollution of rivers assessed by population in Nasik and Solapur districts of Maharashtra	Desk and Field study	SHSRC, pune	5P× 8M = 40 MM	Vini Sivanandan, Arun Pisal, A Prashik, Raj Pol, Akram Khan

14. PRC, Sagar

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Reena Basu	Assistant Director
2	Dr. Nikhilesh Parchure	Research Investigator
3	Dr. Jyoti Tiwari	Research Investigator
4	Dr. Niklesh Kumar	Field Investigator
5	Mr. Kumar Raghubansh Mani Singh	Field Investigator

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Monitoring of State PIP (2016-17) (8 Districts)	Field Study	MoHFW	16 MM	All Staff
2	Out of Pocket Health Expenditure for Health Care Service Utilisation in Madhya Pradesh	Field Study	PRC Regular fund	18 MM	Reena Basu, Nikhilesh Parchure, Jyoti Tiwari, Niklesh Kumar, Raghubansh Mani Singh
3	Assessment of functioning of ASHA under NHM in M.P.	Field Study	PRC Regular fund	18 MM	Reena Basu, Nikhilesh Parchure, Jyoti Tiwari, Niklesh Kumar, Raghubansh Mani Singh
4	Assessment of PPIUCD programme	Field Based Study	PRC Regular fund	10 MM	Nikhilesh Parchure, Reena Basu, Jyoti Tiwari, Niklesh Kumar, Raghubansh Mani Singh

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
5	Baseline survey for New Born Survival Project in Ajaygarh, Panna (M.P.)	Field Study	CARE India	7 MM	Reena Basu, Nikhilesh Parchure, Jyoti Tiwari, Niklesh Kumar, Raghubansh Mani Singh

15. PRC, Shimla

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. Savita Thakur Joshi	Research Investigator
2	Dr. Yashwant Singh Hartta	Research Investigator
3	Dr. Niranjna Bhandari	Field Investigator

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Quality Monitoring of NRHM State Programme Implementation Plans in 4 Districts	Field Study	MoHFW	8 MM	All Staff
2	Determinants of Acceptance of Family Planning Methods in Himachal Pradesh/Uttarakhand.	Field study	MoHFW Govt. of India	6 Months	Dr. Savita Thakur Joshi
3	Awareness level of Migrant labour on HIV/AIDS in Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh	Field study	Regular Study	9 Months	Dr. Yashwant Hartta
4	Socio-Economic Correlates of Women's Reproductive Behaviour	Field study	Regular Funds of PRC/ MoHFW	8 Months	Dr. Niranjna Bhandari
5	An Evaluation of ASHA workers in Himachal Pradesh.	Field study	Regular Funds of PRC/ MoHFW	5 Months	Dr Savita Thakur Joshi, Dr Niranjna Bhandari and Dr. Yashwant Hartta

16. PRC, Srinagar

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Mr. Bashir Ahmad Bhat	Associate Professor
2	Mr. S. Khursheed Ahmad	Assistant Professor
3	Mr. Imtiaz Ahmad Bhat	Research Investigator
4	Mr. Muneer Ahmad	Research Investigator
5	Mrs. Farida Qadri	Research Assistant
6	Mr. Javeed Ahmad Mir	Research Assistant

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Monitoring of NRHM State PIP - 12 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	24 MM	All Staff
2	Trends and Patterns of Antenatal, Natal and Postnatal Care Services in Jammu and Kashmir 2012-2016.	Desk Study	PRC Funds	6 MM	Bashir Ahmad, Jaweed Ahmad
3	A Study of Facility Based New Born Care Units in J&K	Field Study	PRC Funds	7 MM	Muneer Ahmad, S.Khursheed Ahmad
4	District wise analysis of Promotion of Institutional Deliveries through CHCs and PHCs in J&K.	Desk Study	PRC Funds	6 MM	Imtiaz Ahmad and Farida Qadri
5	HMIS Data Quality Issues in J&K and	Desk and	PRC Normal	6 MM	Farida Qadri and Imtiaz

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
	ways to improve it.	Field Study	TA/DA Budget		Ahmad
On Going Study (Backlog of 2015-16)					
1	Trends and Patterns of Sex Ratio at Birth in Jammu and Kashmir.	Desk Study	PRC Funds	0 MM	Bashir Ahmad Bhat, Imtiaz Ahmad and Farida Qadri
2	National Family Health Survey-4 in J&K	Field Study	MOHFW	23 MM	Bashir Ahmad Bhat, Syed Khursheed, Muneer Ahmad, Imtiaz Ahmad and Farida Qadri

17. PRC, Udaipur

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Dr. B.L. Nagda	Research Officer MM (to be retired in July 2016)
2	Dr. Rama Kant Sharma	Research Assistant

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month)	Persons to be involved
1	Monitoring of NRHM State PIP in 4 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	8 MM	All Staff
2	Implementation Status of NUHM in a district of southern Rajasthan	Desk and field work	TA&DA Grant of MoHFW	4 MM	Dr.Ramakant Sharma
3	Assess the level and gaps in RCH indicators of Rajasthan	Desk and field work	TA&DA Grant of MoHFW	4 MM	Dr. B.L. Nagda

18. PRC, Vishakhapatnam

Research personnel

S No.	Name of the Official	Designation
1	Prof. R. Ramakrishna	Honorary Director
2	Dr. M. Sudhakar Babu	Research Investigator (Retiring on 31-8-2016)
3	Dr. Ch. Suri Babu	Research Investigator (contractual)

*Dr. M. Sudhakar Babu will be retiring on 31.8.2016.

Sl. No.	Name of the Study	Whether Field/Desk study	Source of Fund	Time Budget (MM: Man month) P: Persons, M: Months	Persons to be involved
1	Quality Monitoring of Important Components of PIP during 2016-17 in 4 districts	Field Study	MoHFW	8 MM	All Staff
2	HMIS Data Reporting and Data Quality: Trend Analysis in different States of India.	Desk Study	MoHFW	2Px2M = 4 MM	Dr. M. Sudhakar Babu and Dr.Ch. Suri Babu
3	A study on the awareness and utilization of the AYUSH facilities in selected districts of Andhra Pradesh.	Field Study	MoHFW	2Px2M = 4 MM	Dr. M. Sudhakar Babu and Dr.Ch. Suri Babu
4	Trend Analysis of sex-ratio across different districts in Andhra Pradesh.	Desk Study	MoHFW	1Px2M = 2 MM	Dr.Ch. Suri Babu

5	A study on problems of ageing and concerns in Andhra Pradesh.	Desk/Field Study	MoHFW	1Px2M = 2 MM	Dr.Ch. Suri Babu
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Annexure-III

Allocation of districts to PRCs for PIP monitoring: 2016-17

Sl.No.	State Name	District	Name of the PRCs
1	Gujarat	<i>Banas Kantha</i>	Baroda
2	Gujarat	<i>Dahod</i>	Baroda
3	Gujarat	Gandhinagar	Baroda
4	Gujarat	Gir Somnath	Baroda
5	Gujarat	<i>Kachchh</i>	Baroda
6	Gujarat	Morbi	Baroda
7	Gujarat	<i>Narmada</i>	Baroda
8	Gujarat	<i>Panch Mahals</i>	Baroda
9	Gujarat	Patan	Baroda
10	Gujarat	<i>Sabar Kantha</i>	Baroda
11	Gujarat	<i>The Dangs</i>	Baroda
12	Gujarat	Valsad	Baroda
	Baroda Count		12
13	West Bengal	<i>Koch Bihar</i>	Bhubaneswar
14	West Bengal	<i>Malda</i>	Bhubaneswar
15	West Bengal	<i>Murshidabad</i>	Bhubaneswar
16	West Bengal	<i>South 24 Parganas</i>	Bhubaneswar
	West Bengal Count		4
17	Punjab	<i>Barnala</i>	CRRID
18	Punjab	<i>Mansa</i>	CRRID
19	Punjab	<i>Muktsar</i>	CRRID
20	Punjab	<i>Sangrur</i>	CRRID
21	Rajasthan	<i>Barmer</i>	CRRID
22	Rajasthan	Bharatpur	CRRID
23	Rajasthan	<i>Dungarpur</i>	CRRID
24	Rajasthan	<i>Karauli</i>	CRRID
	CRRID Count		8
25	Delhi	<i>North East Delhi</i>	Delhi
26	Delhi	<i>North West</i>	Delhi
27	Haryana	Bhiwani	Delhi
28	Haryana	Jhajjar	Delhi
29	Haryana	Mahendragarh	Delhi
30	Haryana	<i>Mewat</i>	Delhi
31	Haryana	<i>Palwal</i>	Delhi
32	Haryana	<i>Panipat</i>	Delhi

Sl.No.	State Name	District	Name of the PRCs
33	Rajasthan	Bikaner	Delhi
34	Rajasthan	<i>Bundi</i>	Delhi
35	Rajasthan	Churu	Delhi
36	Rajasthan	<i>Dhaulpur</i>	Delhi
37	Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	Delhi
38	Rajasthan	Jaipur	Delhi
39	Rajasthan	<i>Jalor</i>	Delhi
40	Rajasthan	Jhunjhunun	Delhi
41	Rajasthan	Nagaur	Delhi
42	Rajasthan	Sikar	Delhi
43	Uttar Pradesh	Bagpat	Delhi
44	Uttar Pradesh	Gautam Buddha Nagar	Delhi
45	Uttar Pradesh	Ghaziipur	Delhi
46	Uttar Pradesh	Hapur	Delhi
47	Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Delhi
48	Uttar Pradesh	Shahjahanpur	Delhi
	Delhi Count		24
49	Goa	North Goa	Dharwad
50	Goa	South Goa	Dharwad
51	Karnataka	<i>Bagalkote</i>	Dharwad
52	Karnataka	Belgaum	Dharwad
53	Karnataka	Bidar	Dharwad
54	Karnataka	Chikkaballapur	Dharwad
55	Karnataka	Dharwad	Dharwad
56	Karnataka	<i>Gadag</i>	Dharwad
57	Karnataka	<i>Gulbarga</i>	Dharwad
58	Karnataka	Haveri	Dharwad
59	Karnataka	<i>Raichur</i>	Dharwad
60	Karnataka	Uttara Kannada	Dharwad
61	Maharashtra	<i>Gadchiroli</i>	Dharwad
62	Maharashtra	Ratnagiri	Dharwad
63	Maharashtra	Sangli	Dharwad
64	Telangana	<i>Adilabad</i>	Dharwad
65	Telangana	<i>Mahbubnagar</i>	Dharwad
66	Telangana	Medak	Dharwad
67	Telangana	Nalgonda	Dharwad
68	Telangana	Ranga Reddy	Dharwad
	Dharwad Count		20

Sl.No.	State Name	District	Name of the PRCs
69	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Damoh</i>	Gandhigram
70	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Dindori</i>	Gandhigram
71	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Mandla</i>	Gandhigram
72	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Raisen</i>	Gandhigram
73	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Satna</i>	Gandhigram
74	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Sidhi</i>	Gandhigram
75	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Singroli</i>	Gandhigram
76	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Tikamgarh</i>	Gandhigram
77	Tamil Nadu	Salem	Gandhigram
78	Tamil Nadu	Thiruvallur	Gandhigram
79	Tamil Nadu	<i>Tiruvanamalai</i>	Gandhigram
80	Tamil Nadu	<i>Vellore</i>	Gandhigram
	Gandhigram Count		12
81	Assam	<i>Dhubri</i>	Guwahati
82	Assam	<i>Golaghat</i>	Guwahati
83	Assam	<i>Hailakandi</i>	Guwahati
84	Assam	<i>Karimganj</i>	Guwahati
85	Assam	<i>Kokrajhar</i>	Guwahati
86	Assam	<i>Nagaon</i>	Guwahati
87	Assam	Udalguri	Guwahati
88	Meghalaya	<i>West Jaintia Hills</i>	Guwahati
	Guwahati Count		8
89	Andhra Pradesh	Anantapur	ISEC
90	Andhra Pradesh	Chittoor	ISEC
91	Andhra Pradesh	<i>Nellore</i>	ISEC
92	Karnataka	Bangalore Rural	ISEC
93	Karnataka	Chitradurga	ISEC
94	Karnataka	Dakshina Kannada	ISEC
95	Karnataka	Davanagere	ISEC
96	Karnataka	Hassan	ISEC
97	Karnataka	Kolar	ISEC
98	Karnataka	Mysore	ISEC
	ISEC Count		10
99	Kerala	Alappuzha	Kerala
100	Kerala	Ernakulam	Kerala
101	Kerala	Idukki	Kerala
102	Kerala	Kannur	Kerala
103	Kerala	<i>Kasaragod</i>	Kerala

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104	Kerala	Kollam	Kerala
105	Kerala	Kottayam	Kerala
106	Kerala	Kozhikkode	Kerala
107	Kerala	<i>Malappuram</i>	Kerala
108	Kerala	<i>Palakkad</i>	Kerala
109	Kerala	Pathanamthitta	Kerala
110	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
111	Kerala	Thrissur	Kerala
112	Kerala	Wayanad	Kerala
113	Tamil Nadu	Dindigul	Kerala
114	Tamil Nadu	Erode	Kerala
115	Tamil Nadu	<i>Madurai</i>	Kerala
116	Tamil Nadu	Nilgiris	Kerala
117	Tamil Nadu	<i>Tirunelveli</i>	Kerala
118	Tamil Nadu	<i>Virudhunagar</i>	Kerala
	Kerala Count		20
119	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Bahraich</i>	Lucknow
120	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Budaun</i>	Lucknow
121	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Etah</i>	Lucknow
122	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Faizabad</i>	Lucknow
123	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Gonda</i>	Lucknow
124	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Hardoi</i>	Lucknow
125	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Kashi Ram Nagar</i>	Lucknow
126	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Kaushambi</i>	Lucknow
127	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Lakhimpur Kheri</i>	Lucknow
128	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Pilibhit</i>	Lucknow
129	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Sant Kabir Nagar</i>	Lucknow
130	Uttar Pradesh	<i>Shrawasti</i>	Lucknow
	Lucknow Count		12
131	Bihar	<i>East Champaran</i>	Patna
132	Bihar	<i>Gaya</i>	Patna
133	Bihar	<i>Katihar</i>	Patna
134	Bihar	<i>Kishanganj</i>	Patna
	Patna Count		4
135	Maharashtra	<i>Dhule</i>	Pune
136	Maharashtra	<i>Hingoli</i>	Pune
137	Maharashtra	<i>Jalgaon</i>	Pune
138	Maharashtra	<i>Jalna</i>	Pune

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139	Maharashtra	<i>Nanded</i>	Pune
140	Maharashtra	<i>Nandurbar</i>	Pune
141	Maharashtra	Osmanabad	Pune
142	Maharashtra	Satara	Pune
	Pune Count		8
143	Haryana	Ambala	Punjab University
144	Haryana	<i>Hisar</i>	Punjab University
145	Haryana	<i>Jind</i>	Punjab University
146	Haryana	Karnal	Punjab University
147	Haryana	Kuruksheetra	Punjab University
148	Haryana	Yamunanagar	Punjab University
149	Punjab	Fatehgarh Sahib	Punjab University
150	Punjab	Hoshiarpur	Punjab University
151	Punjab	Jalandhar	Punjab University
152	Punjab	Kapurthala	Punjab University
153	Rajasthan	<i>Banswara</i>	Punjab University
154	Rajasthan	Jhalawar	Punjab University
	Punjab University count		12
155	Madhya Pradesh	Hoshangabad	Sagar
156	Madhya Pradesh	Indore	Sagar
157	Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur	Sagar
158	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Jhabua</i>	Sagar
159	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Panna</i>	Sagar
160	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Sagar</i>	Sagar
161	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Shahdol</i>	Sagar
162	Madhya Pradesh	<i>Umria</i>	Sagar
	Sagar Count		8
163	Himachal Pradesh	<i>Chamba</i>	Shimla
164	Himachal Pradesh	<i>Kinnaur</i>	Shimla
165	Himachal Pradesh	<i>Lahul Spiti</i>	Shimla
166	Himachal Pradesh	<i>Mandi</i>	Shimla
	Shimla Count		4
167	Jammu & Kashmir	Badgam	Srinagar
168	Jammu & Kashmir	Baramula	Srinagar
169	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Doda</i>	Srinagar
170	Jammu & Kashmir	Ganderbal	Srinagar
171	Jammu & Kashmir	Kathua	Srinagar
172	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Kishtwar</i>	Srinagar

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173	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Leh Ladakh</i>	Srinagar
174	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Poonch</i>	Srinagar
175	Jammu & Kashmir	Pulwama	Srinagar
176	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Rajouri</i>	Srinagar
177	Jammu & Kashmir	<i>Ramban</i>	Srinagar
178	Jammu & Kashmir	Udhampur	Srinagar
	Srinagar Count		12
179	Rajasthan	Ajmer	Udaipur
180	Rajasthan	<i>Jaisalmer</i>	Udaipur
181	Rajasthan	<i>Rajsamand</i>	Udaipur
182	Rajasthan	<i>Udaipur</i>	Udaipur
	Udaipur Count		4
183	Andhra Pradesh	<i>Cuddapah</i>	Visakhapatnam
184	Andhra Pradesh	<i>Kurnool</i>	Visakhapatnam
185	Andhra Pradesh	<i>Vishakapatnam</i>	Visakhapatnam
186	Andhra Pradesh	<i>Vizianagaram</i>	Visakhapatnam
	Visakhapatnam Count		4
	Grand Count		186

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