Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Caesarean Deliveries

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The percentage of deliveries conducted by Caesarean section in the country is 17.2% as per National Family Health Survey-IV (2015-16). State-wise data is given below:

Birth in Health Facility by Caesarean Section (%)

No.	States	Birth delivered by C section
	India	17.2
	Andaman & Nicobar	19.3
	Andhra Pradesh	40.1
	Arunachal Pradesh	8.9
	Assam	13.4
	Bihar	6.2
	Chandigarh	22.6
	Chhattisgarh	9.9
	Delhi NCT	23.7
	Daman & Diu	15.8
)	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	16.2
	Goa	31.4
	Gujarat	18.4
3	Haryana	11.7
-	Himachal Pradesh	16.7
•	Jammu & Kashmir	33.1
3	Jharkhand	9.9
7	Karnataka	23.6
3	Kerala	35.8
)	Lakshadweep	37.9
)	Madhya Pradesh	8.6
	Maharashtra	20.1





22	Manipur	21.1
23	Meghalaya	7.6
24	Mizoram	12.7
25	Nagaland	5.8
26	Puducherry	33.6
27	Sikkim	20.9
28	Odisha	13.8
29	Punjab	24.6
30	Rajasthan	8.6
31	Tamil Nadu	34.1
32	Telangana	58
33	Tripura	20.5
34	Uttar Pradesh	9.4
35	Uttarakhand	13.1
36	West Bengal	23.8

Source-NFHS-IV (2015-16)

World Health Organization (WHO) in its statement released in April, 2015 has said that at population level, Caesarean section rates higher than 10% are not associated with reductions in maternal and newborn mortality rates. Government of India (GoI) has already written to all States and UTs sharing the latest WHO statement. In addition, States have been informed to conduct periodic prescription audits in the private health facilities under the Clinical Establishment Act. They have also been informed that prescription audits can be extended to public health facilities. The Government of India has enacted the Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010 with the objective of registration and regulation of health care institutions including those in the private sector. 10 States and 6 UTs have adopted the Clinical Establishment Act. Health being a state subject, it is the responsibility of the state to effectively implement the act.

The Minister of State (Health and Family Welfare), Sh Faggan Singh Kulaste stated this in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha here today.

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