Health Management Information System (HMIS)

Health services are provided through the network of health centers spread throughout rural and urban areas of the country. Each centre maintains record of its activities in one or more of the primary registers.

The performance data are collected and compiled primarily at peripheral levels (Rural/Urban) such as Sub-centre, Primary Health Centres, Urban Family Welfare Centres / Post Partum Centres / Hospitals / Dispensaries.

For capturing information on the service statistics from the peripheral institutions, an exercise was undertaken to rationalize the facility level data capturing format by removing redundant information, reducing the number of forms and focused on facility based reporting. The revised forms were finalized in September 2008 and disseminated to the States. A web based Health MIS (HMIS) portal was also launched in October, 2008 [http://nrhm-mis.nic.in](http://nrhm-mis.nic.in) to facilitate data capturing at District level. The HMIS portal has led to faster flow of information from the district level and about 98% of the districts are reporting monthly data since 2009-10. The HMIS portal is now being rolled out to capture information at the facility level. Some of indicators for which data has been captured through HMIS portal (district level) are included for the first time in the publication “Family Welfare Statistics in India, 2011, Section–C (Tables C1 to C-10). Data for these indicators are provisional and may only be compared with DLHS-III indicators keeping in view the methodological differences.