

You would be aware, the NRHM proposes an intensive accountability framework through a three pronged process of community based monitoring, external surveys and stringent internal monitoring. The new format for MIS has already been disseminated to you by the M & E division of MOHFW. You may consider reviewing the periodicity of the report being filed by your state as also the fidelity and correctness of the data. The various initiatives under the Mission are also being allocated to the appropriate agencies for concurrent evaluation.

I take this opportunity to draw your attention to the framework of community monitoring contained in the Framework of Implementation of NRHM. The proposed framework, which may be adapted by the state to suit local requirement, envisages involvement of local communities in planning and implementing programmes as well as assessing them against agreed benchmarks. The framework of community monitoring envisages setting up of community monitoring committees at various levels. The terms of reference of the committees as well as the scope and protocols for monitoring are detailed in the Framework for Implementation.

I urge you to start the process of setting up the monitoring committees are various levels. Early operationalisation of the Committees shall make available community monitoring data for triangulation against the regular MIS and the external surveys. The constitution of community monitoring committees at various levels is being made part of the periodic review format of NRHM and I look forward to affirmative action in this regard at your end.

With regards,

Dear Sh. Venkataramana,

Yours sincerely.

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