

2. Giving due recognition to Accredited Social Health Activists ^(ASHA) women would serve rural India's needs in various aspects. Analyze.

ASHA programme initiated from the inspiration on Mitram programme of Chhatisgarh. Volunteers within the community - ASHA women's role was first established in 2005 under National Rural Health Mission.

Issues with the Rural Health Care services.

1. Lack of information as a health.

COVID-19 pandemic - example - Lockdown and quarantine is seen by the people as harassment due to lack of information in remote rural areas. The situation asked for channel of communication between Government and the people. ASHA women played vital role. But there is need of system to disseminate life saving information in remote areas.

2. Lack of Resources in rural areas

Di Factors like Distance between the village and hospitals (eg: average 9km), ambulance facility, Lack of medical facilities, Basic Testing facilities eg: HIV, Sickle cell anaemia testing, leading to loss of lives. There is a need for hospital and required facilities at every villages as India approaches 100 years of Independence

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Issues pertaining to ASHA workers

ASHA workers facing issues like meagre rise in payment hike eg: 250 ₹ in 2008 to 4000 ₹ in 2020. and along with delays in that payment, leading to work in 2/more jobs.
offering productivity.

2 critical factors need to be addressed

1. Fixed Income payment to ensure stability in the job and as ASHA workers work 8-12 hrs a day

2. Current they are recognised as "volunteers". There is a need to formalise their work. This provides dignity, protection and seriousness towards them by State Government, Gram Panchayat & patients.

way forward

ASHA workers ~~are~~ play major role bridging between State and people, in Immunisation drives, First call in medical emergency.

For India to be developed ~~th~~ there is a need to enhance ASHA workers to serve the people. For that, due recognition to them has to be provided to serve their ends. Doing that will automatically serve the needs of rural health services, who are majority in our population.