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Health is a vital social sector which needs Government intervention especially in public health arena. A broad and balanced growth of the society can occur only if we can attain desirable level of the health status for the whole population. The country has an ambitious vision to transform the health status of our people. The goals are challenging yet achievable with proper system and strategy.

While the vision is enunciated through many policies, action on ground needs to match them. NRHM provides an enabling mechanism to march towards these goals. The study reveals that Gujarat has a socio-economic environment which is conducive to achieve these goals. Significant gains have been made in improving the health care indicators in the State by increasing financial support, a planned approach to improve the health care system and involvement of all stakeholders to attain the desired goals. But, the country and state have a long way to go before completing the unfinished task of achieving these goals.

To do all these, the management of public health delivery at the field level requires multi-pronged strategy of reform in health delivery system. At one level this includes, improving the process of preparation of health action plan, reducing gaps in the availability of health personnel, meaningful involvement of stakeholders at the local level, improving the motivation, eliminating factors which hamper productivity, reorganize health workers and simplification of procedures to facilitate exercise of financial powers. At another level, a customer-centric approach needs to be inculcated in the health care service to enhance demand for these services. This is the recurring theme in the work as assessed from the surveys. This requires an approach in which the socio-economic and demographic factors of the target population must be understood and incorporated in formulating policy and devising the action plan.