

Fact remains that due to non-procurement of essential equipment, non-utilisation of equipment and shortage of required man-power, TCCs could not be made fully functional and the objectives of setting up of TCCs could not be achieved.

3.2.6 Payment of pay and allowances to the staff of non-functioning training centres

Objective of providing trained Multipurpose Health Workers (Male) (MPHW) was not achieved and expenditure of ₹ 6.26 crore was incurred on pay and allowances on staff deployed at Training Centres which were not functioning for 36 months to 141 months.

In order to impart training to Multipurpose Health Workers (MPHW) the Public Health and Family Welfare Department (Department) of Madhya Pradesh established (August 1988) seven³³ Multipurpose Health Workers (Male) training centres headed by in-charge Medical Officer. Administrative control of the centres was vested with the Chief Medical and Health Officer (CMHO) at district level and Commissioner, Health Services at State level. Twenty seven posts in different cadres³⁴ were sanctioned for each centre and the expenditure on salary and allowances was to be recouped from Government of India (GoI). Training to 60 MPHW was to be imparted each year at each centre to equip them to carry out core activities in the field of prevention and control of disease of public health importance, health education, detection and control of epidemic prone disease etc.

Test check of records of the Chief Medical and Health Officer (CMHO), Ujjain (November 2013), Barwani (December 2013) and further information collected from CMHO, Ujjain, Barwani and Vidisha (May-June 2014) revealed that training of MPHWs had not been conducted at these centres since April 2009, July 2002 and April 2011 respectively. We observed that during the concerned period (ranging from 36 months to 141 months), 18 staff were posted in Ujjain, 20-25 were posted in Barwani and 16 posted in Vidisha and a total amount of ₹ 6.26 crore was incurred on their pay and allowances as of March 2014. The district wise and period wise expenditure details were as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of district	Period	No. of persons required to be trained	No. of persons trained	Expenditure incurred on pay and allowances of staff posted in training centres (₹ in crore)
1	Ujjain	4/2009 to 03/2014	300	Nil	2.06
2	Barwani	07/2002 to 03/2014	720	Nil	2.96
3	Vidisha	04/2011 to 03/2014	180	Nil	1.24
	Total		1200		6.26

(Source: Information provided by the concerned CMHOs)

We also observed that Directorate, Health Services decided (December 2013) to merge/adjust staff of five³⁵ MPHW(M) centres in District Training Centres

³³ Barwani, Chindwara, Guna, Rewa, Sagar, Ujjain and Vidisha.

³⁴ In-charge Medical Officer-1, Public Health Tutor-2, Health Educator-2, Senior Sanitary Inspector-2, Upper Division Clerk-1, Lower Division Clerk-3, Class IV employee for Training Centre-6 and for Hostel-10.

³⁵ Barwani, Rewa, Sagar, Ujjain and Vidisha.

and directed concerned CMHOs to send proposals in this regard. Accordingly, CMHO, Barwani sent (January 2014) a proposal to Directorate; acceptance of proposal was not received as of May 2014.

Thus, despite incurring an expenditure of ₹ 6.26 crore on pay and allowances of the staff posted at these three centres, the objective of providing trained MPHWS (M) was not achieved. The entire expenditure of ₹ 6.26 crore was recouped from GoI.

The matter was reported to the Government (July 2014) and was discussed in the exit conference. The Principal Secretary, PH&FW Department in the exit conference (November 2014), accepted the facts and stated that the State Government has decided on closure of five training centres and reshuffling of the staff deployed in these training centres, except training centre at Barwani and Sagar. Further, he also stated that Government of India would be intimated accordingly.

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