

Child Health Goals under NRHM

Child Health Indicator	Current status	NRHM Goals(2012-17)
IMR (Infant Mortality Rate)	38	< 25
Neonatal Mortality rate	28	< 20
Under 5Mortality Rate	46	< 25

Causes of Childhood Mortality:

As per WHO 2012 estimates, the causes of Child Mortality in the age group 0-5 years in India are (a) Neonatal causes (52%), (b) Pneumonia (15%), (c) Diarrheal disease (11%), (d) Measles (3%), (e) Injuries (4%) and (f) others (15%). However, The major causes of neonatal deaths are Infections (16%) such as Pneumonia, Septicemia and Umbilical Cord infection; Prematurity (18%) i.e. birth of newborn before 37 weeks of gestation and Asphyxia (10%) i.e. inability to breathe immediately after birth and leads to lack of oxygen.