## **COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME**

Under National Common Minimum Programme, Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme for one district in each state in 2004-05 has been formulated for implementation with community participation.

The Salient Features of the Scheme are:

- Primary focus of Health Insurance in the <u>Pilot District</u> would be the poorer section of the society i.e. both BPL and Non-BPL.
- The experience gained from the outcome in implementing the scheme in these Pilot Districts would form the basis for possible expansion and its replication in other districts in future.
- To focus on the health insurance needs of the Population by marketing the entire range of existing Health Insurance products catering to the needs of all income groups such as <u>Mediclaim</u>, <u>Bhavishya Arogya, Jan Arogya, Universal Health, Swasthya Bima</u> <u>Policies</u> etc.
- All the existing Health Insurance products would be marketed to the population in the Pilot District in a holistic manner by mobilizing support from different agencies viz. State Government, Local bodies, Community based organizations, NGOs, Cooperatives and other organizations involved in Social Sector activities.
- The four Public Sector Insurance Companies would market the product by utilizing the existing marketing channels.
- The claims settlement process would be simplified depending upon the availability of the Third Party Administrators (TPAs) or through Tie-up arrangements with Service Providers, medical facilities would be provided cash-less, as far as possible.
- The programme will be undertaken, in one District in each State ideally be the one that have a strong presence of Community Based Organizations and having a reasonable health infrastructure and delivery mechanism.