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The Government of India has launched the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) as a sub-mission under the National Health Mission (NHM), the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) being the other sub-mission.

NUHM aims to improve the health status of the urban population particularly slum dwellers and other vulnerable sections by facilitating their access to quality health care. NUHM would cover all state capitals, district headquarters and other cities/towns with a population of 50,000 and above (as per census 2011). Cities and towns with population below 50,000 will be covered under NRHM.

Accordingly the NUHM was implemented in 01/01/2014 in the UT of Puducherry with the approval to start FIVE Urban Primary Health Centre, Two in Puducherry, One each in Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam Districts.

Urban Population of 8.5 Lakhs is covered by Urban PHC under DHFWS, Govt of Puducherry.