

STATE HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

At present there are 28 states in India ,with each state having its own health administration ,In all the states ,the management sector comprises the state ministry of health and a Directorate of health.

1.STATE MINISTRY OF HEALTH

- The state ministry of health is headed by a minister of Health and Family Welfare and a Deputy Minister of health and Family Welfare
- In many states health minister is also in charge of other portfolios
- The Health is the official organ of State Ministry of Health and is headed by a 'Secretary' who is assisted by a Deputy Secretaries ,Under secretaries and a large administrative staffs.
- The secretary is the senior officer of Indian Administrative Service.
- The Bhore committee in 1946 recommended that the Director of Health services should be the Secretary to the State Government to facilitate administration ,but these recommendations has not been implemented.

2. STATE HEALTH DIRECTORATE

- For long time the medical and the public health departments were functioning in the states ,the heads of these departments were known as Surgeon General and Inspector general of Civil hospitals and Director of Public Health respectively.
- The bhore committee in 1946 recommended that the medical and public health organization should be integrated in all levels and therefore should

have the single administrative officer for the curative and the preventive departments of the health. In August 1947; the process was completed by Maharashtra in May 1970.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES

- The director of health services is the chief technical advisor to the state government on all matters related to the medicine and public health.
- He is also responsible for the organization and direction of all the health activities.

The director of the health services has been changed now a days to

Director of Health services and the family welfare in many states.

Director Of Medical Education

The Director Of Medical Education is in the view of increasing no of medical colleges. Some experts believe that there is no justification for the removal of the medical education from the removal of medical education from general health services because both go hand in hand the ultimate aim is the protection of the health of the people.

Director Of Health and Family Welfare

It is assisted by the suitable number of deputies and assistants. The deputies and assistants are of two types-regional and functional.

The Regional Directors inspect all the branches of public health within their jurisdiction,irrespective of their speciality

The Functional Directors are usually specialists in a particular branch of public health such as mother and child health ,family planning,nutrition,tuberculosis,leprosy,health education etc.

The Public Health Engineering Organisation

It is in most states are the part of Public Works Department of the State Government.It has been recommended by the experts in the public health that the public health engineering organization in every state should be the part of the State Health Department, and the chief Engineer of Public Health should have the status of an Additional Director of Health Services,