## **New Initiatives of CBHI**

CBHI has taken the following initiatives to achieve its mandate:

- 1. GIS mapping of health facilities: To have real time information of Health resources of the entire country, CBHI is now in the process of geographically mapping all health facilities (Government & Private both). With this readiness, we are sure that the gap between the national requirements in terms of policy & technical support can be filled.
- 2. Liaison with State Bureau of Health Intelligence At present the State Bureaus of Health Intelligence work independent of CBHI. CBHI is now in the process of actively collaborating with them to bridge the gap for integrated collection of health information.
- 3. Establishment of 13 New Field Survey Units: There are 19 Regional Office for Health &FW in the country. Out of these 6 Field Survey Units (FSU) have already been established at Regional office for Health & FW, Bhubaneswar, Bangalore, Patna in 1982 and Jaipur, Bhopal and Lucknow in 1986. CBHI proposes to establish new FSUs in the remaining 13 Regional office of Health & FW in the country.
- 4. Proposal to establish the "National Institute of Health Information (NIHI)":
  - In order to achieve the goal of 'Strengthening of Health Information System' during the 12th Five Year Plan (2012-17) to be able to effectively use information related to various aspects of health at all levels, it is proposed to establish a 'National Institute of Health Information in the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare at New Delhi. The proposed 'National Institute of Health Information' (NIHI) shall take over all the roles and activities currently being performed by the CBHI, which shall cease to exist once the new system of NIHI is set up. The proposal of NIHI has already been approved by the Secretary, M/H & FW. Preparation of SFC is in process.
- **5.** CBHI also proposes to form a governing body consisting of technical and administrative experts who would set international benchmarks in capacity building and performance as per the mandate of CBHI.
- **6.** CBHI has a partnership with many medical colleges of the country for capacity building. We intend to take it to the next level for operational research.
- 7. Presently CBHI has partnership with W.H.O on Family of International Classification. For the betterment of the organization, CBHI is ready for more collaboration but then CBHI being the pioneer institute in the field of Health Intelligence, we strongly feel all the organizations dealing with Health statistics data should come under the umbrella of CBHI. Then only India will have all the health information and health intelligence available at a single portal.