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### 9.1 Introduction

Sustainable Development Goals (*SDG-3*), “*Good Health and Well-Being*,” seeks to ensure health and well-being for all, at every stage of life. The Goal addresses all major health priorities, including reproductive, maternal and child health; communicable, non-communicable and environmental diseases; universal health coverage; and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable medicines and vaccines.

The Government of Uttarakhand (GoU) set up (August 2017) a State Level society “Uttarakhand State Centre for Public Policy and Good Governance (USCPPGG)”, to help the various departments for policy planning works, for preparation of policy and operational research papers to effectively determine the planning and policy framework for SDGs.

### 9.2 Formulation of State Indicator Framework (SIF) & District Indicator Framework (DIF)

To monitor and measure the progress of SDGs, the State Government had to formulate State Indicator Framework (SIF) and District Indicator Framework (DIF) in consultation with line departments in which National Indicator Framework (NIF) will serve as a basis. Accordingly, the State Government published State Indicator Framework (SIF) and District Indicator Framework (DIF) in the year 2020 and 2019 respectively. State has framed State Indicator Framework (SIF) consisting of 45 Indicators (33 adopted from National Indicator Framework and remaining 12 have been formulated by the state itself for better monitoring of the targets 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3). District Indicator Framework (DIF) consists of nine indicators (four from NIF, five from SIF in a district) (*Appendix-9.1*).

### 9.3 Status of Uttarakhand SDG Index Reports (data collection and dissemination)

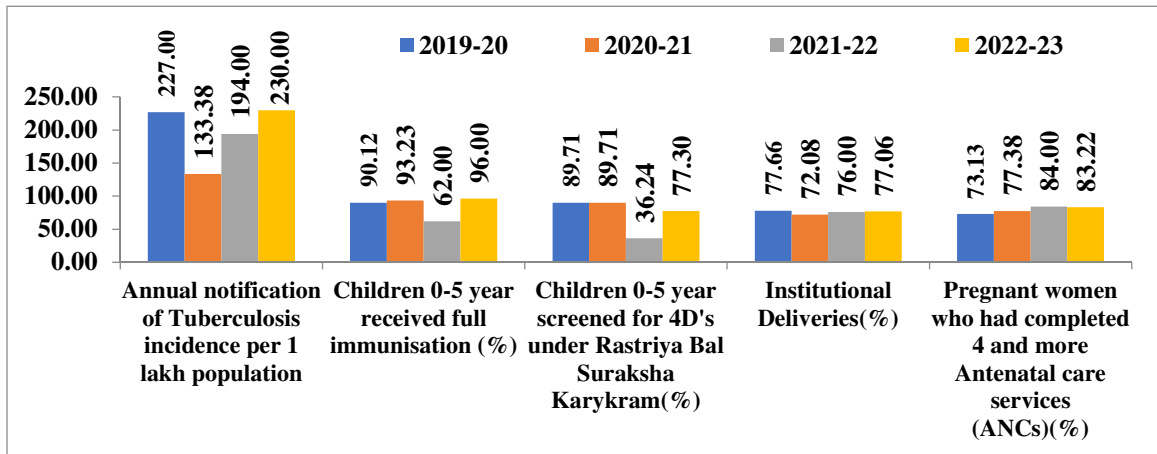
SDG India Index, Baseline Report 2018 issued by NITI Aayog provides that the SDG Index can be useful to States/UTs in assessing their progress towards SDGs. Audit findings are given below:

- A. The State Government published State Indicator Framework (SIF) and District Indicator Framework (DIF) in the year 2020 and 2019 respectively.
- B. In the State, 45 State Indicators were developed. However, Uttarakhand SDG Index dashboard is based only on nine indicators which shows that monitoring of SDG Goals and Targets was partial /incomplete.
- C. District Indicator Framework (DIF) has nine indicators for SDG-3 and Uttarakhand SDG Index Dashboard is showing performance against all nine Indicators.

### 9.4 Improvement in Health Indicators

In the chart no. 9.1 below, the rates of institutional deliveries, full immunization, utilization of antenatal care services, and screening for children over the years have witnessed considerable growth, a progress that could be attributed to the effective implementation of schemes under the National Health Mission (NHM) and carefully mapped initiatives.

Chart - 9.1: Health Indicators



Source: Uttarakhand SDG dashboard.

The variation in Indicators can be appreciated based on performance against mapped schemes which have been discussed separately in this report.

### 9.5 Intervention and co-ordination

On the basis of analysis of information provided by CPPGG the efforts made for localization of SDGs, achievement thereof and shortcomings noticed in the State are mentioned below:

- Sensitization i.e. SDGs related awareness generation of leadership:** State had to devise its own strategies for sensitizing officials at the State/district/local levels, Civil Society Organizations and communities. Analysis of Data in public domain and information made available by CPPGG revealed that awareness among various stake holders through meetings and workshops (*Appendix- 9.2*) was done during the period 2019-22. The CPPGG also created various IEC materials like Vision 2030, SIF & DIF, SDG District profiles, SDG dashboards & Holograms during that period. Further, various activities at the CPPGG level were organized to encourage various stakeholders like NGOs, Educational institutions, etc. to take part in the SDGs mission of Uttarakhand. In addition to above sensitisation of functionaries at district, block and village level of State Government was also done.
- State and District Indicator Frameworks (SIF and DIF):** State Government formulated State Indicator Framework (SIF) & District Indicator Framework (DIF) in consultation with line department.
- Operationalise Dashboard:** State Government had to activate dashboard and utilise it for any time SDG reviews. Dashboard was activated for SDG review as of October 2021.
- Ranking of districts:** The State Government will undertake periodic, preferably annual, ranking of districts on SDG performance. The CPPGG formulated Uttarakhand SDG District Index and is regularly updating ranking/performance of districts in the state on online platform/ portal SDG Monitoring Tool. The State has formulated its district ranking on the state dashboard (*Refer para 9.3* for district ranking in the picture), since 2015-16.

- **Building partnerships:** The State had to enter into partnership with knowledge partner/ technical agency for developing dashboard. In September 2019, Uttarakhand collaborated with the UNDP to align the state's development plan with Vision 2030. Besides UNDP the state has collaborated with multiple organisations as detailed in *Appendix-9.3*.
- **Step-Review mechanisms:** State Government was to set up SDG review mechanism at the Chief Secretary/ Chief Minister, preferably bi-annually. It was proposed during the establishment of CPPGG and Six State Working Groups (SWGs) were constituted (April 2018) by the State Government for SDG related works.


### 9.6 Conclusion

The data of only nine indicators were available at district level, therefore, the rest of the indicators were not being monitored. Further, The SDG Index Dashboard captures only nine indicators in place of 45. However, awareness among various stake holders through meetings and workshops were done during the period 2019-22.

### 9.7 Recommendation


*The Government may consider capturing more indicators for monitoring goals and indicators under SDG-3.*

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