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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**  
**ON THE**  
**CONSTRUCTION OF 650 HEALTH POSTS COUNTRYWIDE**  
**BY THE**  
**HON. MINISTER OF HEALTH, DR CHILUFYA**

Madam Speaker, I thank you for granting me this opportunity to update the House and nation at large on the project towards the construction of 650 health posts countrywide.

As the House may be aware, this project is being implemented through a US\$50 million line of credit from the Government of India.

Madam Speaker, the following progress has been so far recorded on the project:

- (a) out of the 650 sites, contractors have taken possession of 547 sites, representing coverage of 84 per cent across the country;
- (b) a total of 327 superstructures have been completed countrywide, out of which 275 have been handed over to the Ministry of Health and are fully functional facilities. The distribution of the functional facilities is as follows:

<i>Province</i>	<i>No. of Facilities</i>
Copperbelt	30 out of a total of 88
Central	37 out of a total of 52
Eastern	39 out of a total of 68
Western	60 out of a total of 64
Southern	32 out of a total of 99
Lusaka	31 out of a total of 32
Northern	10 out of a total of 69
Luapula	17 out of a total of 64