Government of India Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Rajya Sabha

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Setting up of NIMHR

3158. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had proposed in 2014 to set up a National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation (NIMHR);
- (b) if so, the present status of work on the proposal;
- (c) the number of people treated for mental illness and became fit to rejoin society, at present; and
- (d) the fresh steps taken by Government for a time-bound execution of work on the project?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) to (d) The Ministry has firmed up a proposal to establish the National Institute of Mental Health Rehabilitation at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, and the same has been considered and recommended by the Expenditure Finance Committee. The Ministry has circulated a Cabinet note for consideration of the establishment of the proposed institute on 13.03.2018.

As regards the number of people treated for mental illness, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare have informed that the data regarding number of persons who became fit to rejoin society after being treated for mental illness is not maintained centrally by them.
