

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -3317
ANSWERED ON - 29/03/2023**

CONSTRUCTION OF OLD AGE HOMES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

3317 #. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL

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

- (a) whether Government has any plan to construct Old Age Homes for senior citizens;
- (b) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has surveyed tribal areas of Gujarat for construction of Old Age Homes for senior citizens; and
- (d) if so, details thereof along with the number of Old Age Homes being planned for senior citizens?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a) to (d) The Department of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing 'Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens' (IPSrC), a component of 'Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana' (AVYAY), under which grant-in-aid is provided to NGOs/Voluntary Organizations (VOs) for running and maintenance of Senior Citizens Homes (old age homes), Continuous Care Homes, etc. Facilities like shelter, nutrition, medicare and recreation are provided free of cost to the indigent senior citizens who live in such homes. The Department does not provide grant-in-aid for construction of Senior Citizen Homes. To add new projects under IPSrC, the Department invites applications for new projects in gap districts, as per the survey details received from respective State Govts/UT Admins. On the basis of recommendations of the respective State Govts/UT Admins, and requisite documents received, new projects are added under the Scheme.

Presently, total 08 Senior Citizen Homes are running under the Scheme of IPSrC in Gujarat State.
