GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2689

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CRUMBLNG INFRASTRUCTURE OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF LOCOMOTOR DISABILITIES, KOLKATA

2689. SHRI SAMIK BHATTACHARYA

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the crumbling infrastructure at the National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (NILD) in Kolkata including deteriorating buildings and facilities;
- (b) whether Government has received complaints from patients and stakeholders regarding poor conditions, including the state of the libraries and overall services at NILD;
- (c) the steps taken to address these issues including plan to upgrades or renovations of the infrastructure and facilities at NILD; and
- (d) the timeline for resolving these issues and ensuring that the institute meets required standards of care and services?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI B.L. VERMA)

- (a) Construction of buildings, renovations etc. is an ongoing process which is carried out from time to time as per requirement of National Institutes (NIs). All NIs are undergoing construction and renovations activities under the Department's supervision.
- (b) & (c) NILD has developed following mechanism in place to address issues related to the services provided by the Institute:
 - i. increasing number of doctors.
 - ii. introduction of QR code payment system to reduce waiting time.
 - iii. engagement of intern students.
 - iv. appointment based scheduling.
 - v. introduction of pharmacy services.
 - vi. making the non-operational rehabilitation ward functional.
- vii. improved toilet facilities.
- (d) The same reply as (a)
