

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1575**  
ANSWERED ON- 12/03/2025

**INSTITUTION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

1575. SMT. KIRAN CHOUDHRY

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

- (a) the number of national institutions being operated by the Ministry for the welfare of persons with disabilities and whether there is any proposal to increase financial assistance for the capacity enhancement of the said institutions; and
- (b) whether there has been a rapid increase in the number of courses and students in these institutions since 2014?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI B.L. VERMA)

- (a) The Ministry, through the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD), operates nine National Institutes specializing in various disabilities. The Department provides annual financial assistance to these Institutes through Grant-in-Aid to support their operational requirements and enhance their capacity.
- (b) Yes, there has been a significant increase in the number of courses offered and student enrollments at these National Institutes.

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