

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2050
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH MARCH, 2025.**

EXPANSION OF MENTAL HEALTH COVERAGE UNDER CGHS

2050. SHRI MANOJ KUMAR JHA:

Will the **MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has reviewed and expanded the coverage of mental health ailments and treatment procedures under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS), and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the current guidelines adequately cover conditions such as severe depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and post-traumatic stress disorder, and if not, the reasons therefor, and
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure comprehensive coverage of mental health disorders and the clear categorisation of physiotherapy-related procedures under CGHS?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAP RAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c) : Mental health services, including consultations, investigations, medications and treatments for various psychiatric conditions, are covered under CGHS. The CGHS beneficiary can avail mental health related consultations and hospitalizations from Government Hospitals and empanelled Health Care Organisations (HCOs).

The Government provides free mental health support for the CGHS beneficiaries and the general public alike, with Tele-MANAS. CGHS provides dedicated Psychiatry teleconsultation facility through the e-Sanjeevani platform on dedicated days (esanjeevani.mohfw.gov.in).

The physiotherapy procedures are covered under CGHS, which may be availed from any Government or CGHS empanelled HCO.
