

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -3002
ANSWERED ON - 26/03/2025

OLD AGE HOMES

3002. SHRI SATNAM SINGH SANDHU

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

- (a) the total number of Government-supported old age homes in the country, details thereof State-wise/UT-wise;
- (b) whether Government has any plan to establish more old age homes, especially in rural and semi-urban areas, to support the growing elderly population;
- (c) the details of funds allocated and utilized under various schemes for elderly welfare, including the Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC), during the last five years;and
- (d) the steps taken to promote community-based elderly care and support systems to ensure dignified aging?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI B.L.VERMA)

- (a) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment implements a scheme component namely 'Integrated Program for Senior Citizens(IPSrC)' under which grant-in-aid is provided to Implementing agencies such as States/ UTs/ Non-Government Organizations(NGOs)/ Trusts/ Panchayati Raj Institutions(PRIs)/ Urban Local Bodies(ULBs) etc. for running and maintenance of old age homes. The details (State/ UT Wise) of Old Age Homes supported under the scheme component of IPSrC are at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) Under the IPSrC Scheme, proposals are invited for providing financial support to the new old age homes located in gap districts and districts having insufficient capacity of old age homes.
- (c) Details of funds allocated and utilized of various Scheme for Elderly welfare including Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC) during the last 05 years are at **Annexure-II**. Further, as informed by Ministry of Rural Development, under National Social Assistance Programme, a Old age specific Scheme namely Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS) is implemented to provide a basic level social security assistance to elderly living Below Poverty Line. The rate of assistance under IGNOAPS is Rs 200 per month for beneficiaries of age 60-79 years and Rs 500 per month from 80 years onwards.

The details of funds allocated under NSAP and released under IGNOAPS schemes during last five years is given below:

(Rs. In Cr)

| Financial Year | Allocation under NSAP | Release under IGNOAPS |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2019-2020 | 9200.00 | 6193.38 |
| 2020-2021 | 9200.00 | 6152.61 |
| 2021-2022 | 9200.00 | 5806.39 |
| 2022-2023 | 9652.00 | 6827.55 |
| 2023-2024 | 9652.00 | 6778.48 |

(d) Steps taken to promote community-based elderly care and support systems to ensure dignified aging under the Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY) scheme are given as under:-

1. **Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) with M/o AYUSH:-** An MoU has been signed between Department of Social Justice and Empowerment and M/o AYUSH to develop cooperation, convergence, and synergy with the aim of developing innovative initiatives that promote the health and treatment of senior citizens.
2. **Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) with Dementia India Alliance(DIA):-** An MoU has been signed between Department of Social Justice and Empowerment and Dementia India Alliance to collaborate to improve the quality of life of elders living with Dementia in old age homes supported by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment by online memory screening and training of staff.
3. **Memorandum of Understanding(MoU) with Vayah Vikas:-** An MoU has been signed between Department of Social Justice and Empowerment and Vayah Vikas to establish a collaborative framework to spread awareness and to promote the welfare schemes of the Government of India among senior citizens.
4. **Community Radio Services:-** Department of Social Justice and Empowerment is utilizing the Community Radio Services for spreading awareness about the AVYAY Scheme.
5. **Observance of International Day of Older Persons (IDOP):** Department observes 1st October every year as the International Day of Older Persons to create awareness about the respect and needs of older persons. During 2024, month-long celebrations were held on the theme 'Ageing with Dignity' to celebrate the International Day of Older Persons.

Annexure-I to the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3002 to be answered on 26.03.2025 regarding " Old age homes" raised by Shri Satnam Singh Sandhu, Hon'ble MP

State-wise Details of Old Age Home in India under IPSrC Scheme

| Sl. NO. | State/ UT | Grand Total |
|---------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 80 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 6 |
| 3. | Assam | 35 |
| 4. | Bihar | 7 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 2 |
| 6. | Delhi | 2 |
| 7. | Gujarat | 10 |
| 8. | Haryana | 12 |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 2 |
| 10. | Jammu and Kashmir | 13 |
| 11. | Jharkhand | 3 |
| 12. | Karnataka | 41 |
| 13. | Kerala | 6 |
| 14. | Madhya Pradesh | 32 |
| 15. | Maharashtra | 47 |
| 16. | Manipur | 38 |
| 17. | Meghalaya | 2 |
| 18. | Mizoram | 4 |
| 19. | Nagaland | 12 |
| 20. | Odisha | 82 |
| 21. | Puducherry | 2 |
| 22. | Punjab | 1 |
| 23. | Rajasthan | 21 |
| 24. | Tamil Nadu | 68 |
| 25. | Telangana | 19 |
| 26. | Tripura | 2 |
| 27. | Uttar Pradesh | 43 |
| 28. | Uttarakhand | 3 |
| 29. | West Bengal | 28 |
| | Grand Total | 623 |

Annexure-II to the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3002 to be answered on 26.03.2025 regarding " Old age homes" raised by Shri Satnam Singh Sandhu, Hon'ble MP

(Rs. in Cr)

| Sl. No | Name of the Scheme | 2019-20 | | 2020-21 | | 2021-22 | | 2022-23 | | 2023-24 | | 2024-25 (as on 20.03.2025) | |
|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| | | B.E. | AE | B.E. | Actual Exp. | B.E. | Actual Exp. | B.E. | Actual Exp. | B.E. | Actual Exp. | BE 2024-25 | Actual Exp. |
| 1. | IPSrC | 90.10 | 106.20 | 200 | 122.58 | 216.32 | 93.19 | 241.76 | 72.31 | 275.05 | 118.96 | 164 | 88.31 |
| 2. | SAPSrC | | 29 | | 7.25 | 18.37 | 2.36 | 18.47 | 11.74 | 17 | 21.19 | 96 | 12.10 |
| 3. | Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) | .* | - | 26.50 | 26.50 | 25.00 | 25.00 | 88.84 | 88.84 | 92.15 | 59.32 | 168.21 | 76.46 |
| 4. | Elderline | - | - | 27.88 | 27.88 | 21.31 | 21.31 | 33.49 | 33.49 | 52.47 | 9.62 | 53.46 | 9.23 |
| 5. | SAGE | - | - | - | - | 20.00 | 20.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 0.00 | 5.00 | - |
| 6. | Training of Geriatric Care Givers | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 25.00 | 0.00 | 35.00 | 45.82 |
| 7. | Other Initiatives for Senior Citizens | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8.00 | 0.12 | 15.00 | 0.93 |

* During 2019-20, no funds were allocated to ALIMCO.

- Funds were not released as Scheme component was not under implementation during this period.
