# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -1247

ANSWERED ON - 30/07/2025

### WELFARE OF SENIOR CITIZENS

#### 1247. SHRI MUZIBULLA KHAN

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

- (a) the total number of Old Age Homes registered under Central Government schemes; and
- (b) whether any expansion is planned under the National Policy for Older Persons?

### ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC), a component of Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY), under which grants-in-aid is provided to NGOs/Voluntary Organisations for running and maintenance of Senior Citizens Homes(old age homes), Continuous Care Homes, etc. Facilities like shelter, nutrition, medicare and recreational activities are provided free of cost to the indigent senior citizens living in such homes.

Under the IPSrC, 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.

At present, 696 Senior Citizen Homes are functioning across the country, covering 29 States/UTs under the Scheme. 84 new Senior Citizen Homes have been selected during the current FY i.e. 2025-26, as per Scheme guidelines.

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