

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *41

ANSWERED ON 22.07.2026

NIRAMAYA HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME FOR PWDS

* 41. Dr. PARMAR JASHVANTSINH SALAMSINH:

Will the Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment be pleased to state:

- a) the current status of implementation of the Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), including the number of beneficiaries covered during the last three years;
- b) the funds allocated, released and utilised under the scheme, year-wise;
- c) whether Government proposes to expand the coverage, eligible disabilities and cashless treatment facilities under the scheme, if so, the details thereof; and
- d) the measures taken to improve awareness, enrolment and accessibility of the scheme, particularly in rural and underserved areas?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR)

(a) to (d) :- A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFEREED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 41 FOR REPLY ON 22.07.2026 REGARDING NIRAMAYA HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME FOR PWDS ASKED BY Dr. PARMAR JASHVANTSINH SALAMSINH.

- (a) The Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme for persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Intellectual Disability and Multiple Disability is being implemented in the entire country. The number of beneficiaries covered during the last three years are as under: -

Year	No. of Beneficiaries
2023-24	87,746
2024-25	52,677
2025-26	71,537

- (b) The year wise fund allocated, released and utilized under the scheme are as under: -

Year	Fund allocated (Rupees in crore)	Fund released (Rupees in crore)	Fund utilized (Rupees in crore)
2023-24	13.86	13.86	13.86
2024-25	13.22	13.22	13.22
2025-26	20.32	20.32	20.32

- (c) No such proposal is under consideration, at present.

- (d) National Trust for the welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation (Intellectual Disability) and Multiple Disabilities is creating awareness about Niramaya scheme through awareness programmes being conducted by its registered organizations in Gram panchayat and rural areas. The State Nodal Agency Centres (SNAC) and the scheme holders of various schemes of National Trust are also creating awareness about Niramaya scheme. Further, to improve enrolment and accessibility of the scheme, National Institutes (NI) and Composite Regional Centres (CRC) of the Department are also facilitating enrolment of beneficiaries. Moreover, enrolment under the scheme can be done directly by the parents/guardians of PwDs through National Trust website.
