#### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESEARCH

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3281 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2017

#### **GERIATRIC DISEASES**

### 3281. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA: SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted research on geriatric diseases;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to set up a National Institute for Geriatric diseases:
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the said institute is likely to be set up?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

- (a) & (b): Yes, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has promoted research studies on the geriatric population focusing on age related problems, including, psychiatric disorders in the aged, brain ageing, neurobiochemistry of the aged brain, chronic morbidity profile of the elderly, prevalence of psychiatric morbidity, etc.
- (c): No.
- (d) & (e): Does not arise.