

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.†1122
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2022**

ATAL VAYO ABHYUDAY YOJANA

†1122. SHRI HARISH DWIVEDI:

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

- (a) the facilities being provided to the senior citizens under the Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVAY);
- (b) the districts of Uttar Pradesh in which the Integrated Senior Citizen Programme is not being run under the AVAY; and
- (c) the criteria fixed for the selection of districts under Integrated Senior Citizen Programme?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)**

- (a): The scheme of Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY), being run by Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, includes provision of financial security, healthcare, nutrition, shelter, welfare etc. for senior citizens. Basic amenities like shelter, food, medical care, entertainment opportunities are provided free of cost to indigent senior citizens.
- (b): The districts of Uttar Pradesh in which the Integrated Senior Citizen programme is not being run under the AVYAY and as notified by the State Government for the year 2021-22 were Agra, Baghpat, Etawah, Farrukhabad, Gorakhpur, Hamirpur, Kasganj, Mathura and Prayagraj. Gap districts for Uttar Pradesh notified for 2022-23 were Mau, Baghpat, Barabanki, Bulandshahr, Kannauj and Kushi Nagar.
- (c): Senior citizen homes (old age homes) under Integrated Programme for Senior Citizens (IPSrC), a component of AVYAY, are provided in gap districts, i.e. districts not having senior citizen homes which includes senior citizen homes not being maintained even by the State Government. Such information is obtained by this Ministry from the respective States/ UTs on the basis of which, applications are invited from eligible organisations on e-Anudaan portal only. Organisations are then selected on the basis of documents provided by them, and also the recommendation of the respective State/ UT Government.
