

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2216
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2022**

DE-ADDICTION CENTRES FOR WOMEN

2216. DR. SHASHI THAROOR:

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

- (a) whether any separate de-addiction centres exist for women dealing with substance abuse and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) if not, whether the Government plans to open women-specific addiction centres under the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan owing to the additional stigma women may be subject to in cases of substance abuse, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any study has been undertaken to understand the patterns of substance abuse amongst women on the national level and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI A. NARAYANASWAMY)**

(a) & (b): The scheme of National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction (NAPDDR) provides for establishing and assisting counseling/de-addiction centres or facilities for women etc. by this Ministry or in convergence with other Central Ministries and implemented through various organizations/Government Departments.

Four de-addiction centres are being supported by the Department of Social Justice & Empowerment in the country for women dealing with substance use. The details of these de-addiction centres are given below:

Sr. No	Name of organization	State	District
1.	Sneha Bhawan	Manipur	Imphal West
2.	United Voluntary Youth Council	Manipur	Churachandpur
3.	New Life Home Society	Mizoram	Aizwal
4.	Sri Baba Trust and Foundation	Karnataka	Bangalore

(c): The National Survey on Extent and Pattern of Substance Use in India was conducted between December 2017 and October 2018 by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment through National Drug Dependence Treatment Centre (NDDTC), All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi and it was published in 2019. As per this survey, the details of drug abuse among women is as under:

Substance	Prevalence of Current Use	
	Women (10-75 years)	Estimated no. of Users
Cannabis	0.65%	3480000
Opioids	0.16%	853000
Sedatives	0.11%	567000
Cocaine	0.02%	91000
ATS	0.05%	268000
Inhalants	0.08%	429000
Hallucinogens	0.01%	54000
