

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1440
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28st JULY, 2023**

FACILITIES FOR ELDERLY AND PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED AT AIIMS

1440. SHRI GHANSHYAM SINGH LODHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up facilitation centre for physically challenged and elderly at AIIMS, Delhi and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which said facilitation centre shall be functional;
- (b) the details of the facilities that are likely to be provided in such centre along with the facilities related to women which are likely to be extended at the said centre;
- (c) the number of beds reserved for senior citizens at the said centre;
- (d) whether Naturopathy treatment is likely to be introduced at AIIMS, Delhi and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) if not, the AIIMS where the said facility of Naturopathy is available and date by which the said facility of Naturopathy is likely to be provided in AIIMS, Delhi; and
- (f) whether senior citizens are facing shortage of wheel chairs in AIIMS at present and if so, the details of the steps taken to provide more wheel chairs thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. BHARATI PRAVIN PAWAR)**

(a) to (c): The OPD services for both male and female elderly have been started on 28th March 2023, at the NCA (National Centre for Ageing), AIIMS, New Delhi. The Centre provides comprehensive care in super specialties like Geriatric Medicine, Geriatric Physiotherapy, Geriatric Psychiatry, Geriatric Orthopedics, Geriatric Surgeries, Geriatric Audiometry, Geriatric Gynecology, Geriatric Urology, Geriatric Cardiology, Geriatric Neurology, Dementia Clinic and outreach services. 200 beds are reserved for senior citizens at National Centre for Ageing (NCA).

(d) to (f): AIIMS, New Delhi has Centre for Integrative Medicine and Research where various clinical specialties at AIIMS are carrying out research studies in the AYUSH system of medicines. No shortage of wheel chairs at present in AIIMS Delhi hospital.
