

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3556  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2019**

**NATIONAL POLICY ON DRUG ADDICTION**

**3556. SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has finalised the National Policy aiming towards reduction of substance abuse and drug addiction;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the likely date of release of the said policy;
- (c) if not, the reasons for not finalizing the said policy;
- (d) whether the Government would be able to achieve its aim of ensuring the availability of adequate facilities to deal with substance abuse-related cases at all hospitals by 2022; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)**

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has formulated and is implementing a National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction (NAPDDR) for 2018-2025. The Plan aims at reduction of adverse consequences of drug abuse through a multi-pronged strategy. The activities under the NAPDDR, inter-alia, include awareness generation programmes in schools/colleges/Universities, workshops/seminars/with parents, community based peerled interactions intervention programmes for vulnerable adolescent and youth in the community, provisioning of treatment facilities and capacity building of service providers.

The Ministry also implement a "Central Sector Scheme of Assistance for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drug) Abuse" under which financial assistance is provided to eligible Non-Governmental Organizations based on the recommendations of State Governments/UT Administrations for running Integrated Rehabilitation Centres for Addicts to provide composite/integrated services for the rehabilitation of addicts including adolescents.

(c): Does not arise.

(d) & (e): The Ministry has approved the proposal of National Drug Dependence Treatment Centre, All India Institute of Medical Science (NDDTC, AIIMS) for providing financial assistance for establishment of Addiction Treatment Facilities at 125 Govt. Hospitals in phase wise manner over a period of three years.

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