

Government of India
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Lok Sabha

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Cross Disability Early Intervention Centres

2422. **SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:**

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has approved the setting up of a Cross Disability Early Intervention Centre in Nellore, Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government plans to increase the number of such centres in the country to reduce the disability among the children of 0-6 years of age; and?
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a) to (b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry has set up 14 Cross Disability Early Intervention Centres at 7 National Institutes and 7 Composite Regional Centres functioning under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, namely, Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for Speech And Hearing Disabilities - Mumbai, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities - Secunderabad, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities - Chennai, National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities - Dehradun, National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities - Kolkata, Pandit Deenadayal Upadhyaya National Institute for the Persons with Physical Disabilities - New Delhi, and Swami Vivekananda National Institute of Rehabilitation, Training and Research - Cuttack, and Composite Regional Centres located at Bhopal, Kozhikode, Lucknow, Nellore, Patna, Rajnandgaon and Sundernagar to support infants and young children (0-6 years) at-risk of disabilities or with disabilities to improve their physical, sensory and cognitive abilities.

(c) to (d) Yes Sir. The Ministry has decided to set up similar Cross Disability Early Intervention Centres at 14 Composite Regional Centres located at Agartala, Ahmedabad, Balangir, Davangere, Gangtok, Gorakhpur, Guwahati, Imphal, Nagpur, Naharlaghun, Port Blair, Ranchi, Shillong, and Srinagar.
