

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 828
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2021**

NATIONAL POLICY ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

828. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has planned to bring a national policy on Alzheimer's disease in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether any geriatric care units have been set up by the Government to treat Alzheimer's patients; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a): No.

(b) & (c): Geriatric healthcare services are being provided under National Programme for Health Care of Elderly (NPHCE) through District Hospitals, Community Health Centres, Primary Health Centres, Sub-Centre/Health & Wellness Centres under the umbrella of National Health Mission (NHM) throughout the Country. Tertiary level care services, including for Alzheimer's, are also being provided through Regional Geriatric Centres in selected medical colleges/institutes. Two National Centres for Ageing (Centres of Excellence) each 200 bedded, at AIIMS, New Delhi and MMC, Chennai have been established for taking care of specific needs of elderly, with focus on long term care. The specialised services would be available at these centres to Alzheimer's patients as well.