

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1687  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2022**

**AUDIOMETRY LABS FOR DIVYANGS**

**1687 SHRI HEMANT SRIRAM PATIL:**

Will the Minister of Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government proposes to open new Audiometry Labs in the country to facilitate deaf and dumb Divyang people and if so, details thereof, State/ UT-wise;
- b) whether an Audiometry Lab is proposed in Hingoli civil hospital of Maharashtra; and
- c) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) to (c) :

Under the umbrella scheme of National Health Mission (NHM), the Government of India implements the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness (NPPCD) wherein the financial and technical support is provided to States/ UTs to strengthen their healthcare systems based on the requirements posed by the States/ UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) within their overall resource envelope.

As per the programme guidelines of NPPCD, there is a provision of financial support at a budget of Rs. 50 thousand for Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Rs. 20 thousand for Primary Health Centres (PHCs) every five year to develop institutional capacity for ear care services by providing support for equipment and audiometry instruments. For District Hospitals, there is a provision of financial support of Rs. 20 Lakhs for equipments, which includes sound treated room also. No proposal has been received from the State of Maharashtra for Audiometry Lab in Civil Hospital, Hingoli.

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