

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4962  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2022**

**MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS**

**4962. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:**

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

- (a) the number of registered mental health professionals in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of registered mental health professionals working in public healthcare facilities, State/ UT-wise;
- (c) the total number of beds in government-run mental health facilities in the country;
- (d) the number of additional seats added in programmes in clinical psychiatry since the Mental Health Care Act 2017 was implemented; and
- (e) the expenditure on Mental health as a percentage of total spending of the Government, year-wise during the last 10 years?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): For providing affordable and accessible mental healthcare facilities to the population, including the poor and underprivileged, the Government is implementing the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) in the country. The District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) component of the NMHP has been sanctioned for implementation in 704 districts for which support is provided to States/UTs through the National Health Mission. Facilities made available under DMHP includes a provision of 10 bedded in-patient facility at the District level. The data regarding number of beds is maintained by the Institutions/ Hospitals concerned, at their own level. However, there are 03 (three) Mental Health Institutions, namely, National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru, Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi Regional Institute of Mental Health (LGBRIMH), Tezpur, Assam, and Central Institute of Psychiatry (CIP), Ranchi, under the administrative control of the Central Government. The details of total number of beds in these Institutions are as under:

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the Institute</b>	<b>Total number of beds</b>
1.	NIMHANS, Bengaluru	944
2.	LGBRIMH, Tezpur, Assam	336
3.	CIP, Ranchi	643

The data regarding the number of mental health professionals in the country including psychologists, psychiatrists and psychiatric nurses is not maintained centrally.

(d): With a view to augment the availability of qualified manpower in field of mental health, the Government, under NMHP, is implementing manpower development schemes for establishment of Centres of Excellence and strengthening/ establishment of Post Graduate (PG) Departments in mental health specialties. Till date, support has been provided for establishment of 25 Centres of Excellence and strengthening/ establishment of 47 Post Graduate (PG) Departments in mental health specialties in the country.

The Government is also augmenting the availability of manpower to deliver mental healthcare services in the underserved areas of the country by providing online training courses to various categories of general healthcare medical and para medical professionals through the Digital Academies established at the three Central Mental Health Institutes namely National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences, Bengaluru, Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi Regional Institute of Mental Health, Tezpur, Assam, and Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi.

The data regarding number of additional seats added in programmes in clinical psychiatry since the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 was implemented is not maintained centrally.

Besides the above, the Government has announced a “National Tele Mental Health Programme” in the Budget of 2022-23, to further improve access to quality mental health counselling and care services in the country.

(e): The expenditure on Mental health, including allocation for NMHP, DMHP, NIMHANS, Bengaluru, LGBRIMH, Tezpur, Assam & CIP, Ranchi, as a percentage of total Health Budget, during the last 10 years is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Health Budget</b>	<b>Total allocation for Mental Health</b>	<b>Expenditure on Mental health as a percentage of total Health Budget</b>
2011-12	26897.00	418.23	1.55 %
2012-13	30702.00	457.99	1.49 %
2013-14	33278.00	527.80	1.58 %
2014-15	35163.00	577.80	1.64 %
2015-16	31050.00	526.68	1.69 %
2016-17	37061.60	651.31	1.75 %
2017-18	47352.50	666.99	1.40 %
2018-19	52800.00	705.13	1.33 %
2019-20	62659.10	747.85	1.19 %
2020-21	65011.80	713.01	1.09 %

Further, expenditure has also been made to increase mental healthcare facilities in the country. Department of Psychiatry has been set up in each of the newly established All India Institute of

Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and similar provision has been made in the upcoming new AIIMS and other Central Government Hospitals/ Institutions.

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