

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 935
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY 2022**

NATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR HEALTH CARE OF THE ELDERLY

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

- (a) Whether Government has formulated a National Programme for Health Care of the Elderly (NPHCE) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) Whether the Programme has achieved the objective for which it was launched and if so, details thereof;
- (c) the challenge faced by Government while implementing NPHCE;
- (d) Whether the aforesaid programme is likely to be aligned with National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) so as to ensure convergence amongst them and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) Whether Government has taken initiatives for effective implementation of programmes and ensuring easy access to the preventive, curative and rehabilitative healthcare by the elderly and if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated under these schemes during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT wise; and
- (f) Whether any measures are being taken by the Government to promote research on diseases affecting the elderly and if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a) to (f): The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare had launched the “National Programme for the Health Care of Elderly” (NPHCE) during 2010-11 to address various health related problems of elderly people.

The objective of the Programme is to provide accessible, affordable, and high-quality long-term, comprehensive and dedicated care services to an Ageing population. The Programme is implemented as Centrally Sponsored Programme at two levels:

- (i) Primary care services at district hospitals and sub district level through geriatric clinics, investigations & rehabilitation services, domiciliary visits by the rehabilitation worker for bed-ridden elderly and counseling to family members for care of such patients and Health Education. A total number of 713 Districts have been covered.
- (ii) Tertiary care services through OPD and in-door facilities, development of specialized human resource through various courses in geriatric medicine as well as research at Regional Geriatric Centers and National Centres for Ageing. Under this Component, Two National Centres of Ageing (NCAs) and 18 Regional Geriatric Centres (RGCs) have been set up.

NPHCE is already aligned with NRHM. The details of funds allocated under the NPHCE is attached as Annexure I. In order to further strengthen and broaden the scope of National Programme for Health Care of the Elderly and also help in establishing a range of preventive and health care programmes for older population, a nationally representative survey of older persons in India, LASI (Longitudinal aging survey of India) was conducted under NPHCE. The survey covered all 30 states and 6 Union Territories of India with a panel sample size of 72,250 older adults aged 45 years including 31464 people above 60 years of age and above and their spouses regardless of age. Further, there is a provision of Research on specific elderly diseases at Department of Geriatrics in the Regional Geriatrics Centre & National Centre for Ageing.

State/UT wise Approvals under National Programme for the Healthcare of the Elderly (NPHCE) under Flexible Pool for Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) under NHM from F.Y 2019-20 to F.Y 2021-22

(Rs. In lakhs)

S.No.	State/UT	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	37.72	1.50	30.40
2	Andhra Pradesh	78.20	789.90	455.06
3	Arunachal Pradesh	150.00	165.40	40.00
4	Assam	406.59	310.30	65.46
5	Bihar	383.49	165.77	5.67
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Chattisgarh	365.65	95.36	512.11
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	0.00	0.35	0.00
9	Daman & Diu	0.40		
10	Delhi	14.80	9.80	24.90
11	Goa	29.80	13.34	27.30
12	Gujarat	20.10	20.20	78.05
13	Haryana	61.82	70.29	91.11
14	Himachal Pradesh	27.09	1.50	15.94
15	Jammu & Kashmir	164.95	144.50	166.50
16	Jharkhand	181.11	13.23	268.83
17	Karnataka	340.08	1310.80	129.60
18	Kerala	421.00	128.50	363.50
19	Ladakh		0.00	53.70
20	Lakshadweep	1.00	12.35	11.40
21	Madhya Pradesh	67.44	139.00	1518.63
22	Maharashtra	213.00	151.60	131.49
23	Manipur	299.10	114.30	135.97
24	Meghalaya	14.50	86.97	200.98
25	Mizoram	21.85	19.86	27.24
26	Nagaland	2.26	7.99	20.40
27	Orissa	231.16	173.10	137.55
28	Puducherry	30.85	31.30	32.40
29	Punjab	11.00	17.60	40.40
30	Rajasthan	30.00	30.00	310.10
31	Sikkim	4.72	17.80	19.15
32	Tamil Nadu	246.50	54.25	212.86
33	Telangana	60.00	142.00	75.00
34	Tripura	11.22	0.00	93.17
35	Uttar Pradesh	1166.80	731.25	1154.73
36	Uttarakhand	5.25	44.94	65.01
37	West Bengal	59.00	103.43	60.70

Note:

1. The above figures are as per the available Financial Management Report (FMR) reported by State/UTs. It is updated upto 31.03.2022 and is provisional.