

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 266
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024

WORKSHOP TO STRENGTHEN SENIOR CITIZEN CARE

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SHRI MANISH JAISWAL:
SHRI BASAVARAJ BOMMAI:
SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR:
SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:
SMT. SMITA UDAY WAGH:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:
SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:
SHRI VISHNU DAYAL RAM:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the national workshops conducted by the NITI Aayog to strengthen senior citizen care in the country including the key objectives and outcomes of the same and District-wise details of Gujarat particularly the tribal districts like Dahod ;
- (b) the number of States and Union Territories participated in the said workshops and the specific role played by those States/UTs;
- (c) the details of new initiatives undertaken and policies proposed during the workshop to strengthen senior citizen care across the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand and Rajasthan particularly in Chittorgarh Parliamentary constituency;
- (d) the manner in which the NITI Aayog plans to implement and monitor the recommendations and insights gathered from this workshop at the State and National levels;
- (e) the details of the infrastructure developed so far in the country and the infrastructure proposed to be developed after the said workshop; and
- (f) the details of the funds allocated and spent so far to strengthen senior citizen care in various States particularly in Uttar Pradesh during the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS
AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT
CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b) NITI Aayog conducted two national workshops on 30th August 2024 in Shillong, Meghalaya, and 27th September 2024 in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, to deliberate on the issues related to strengthening senior citizen care in the country. Representatives from 28 States/UTs attended the workshops. Representatives from Central Ministries, NGOs, and international organizations also participated in the workshops. The objective of the workshops was to elicit the views of States/UTs and other stakeholders on strengthening senior citizen care.

(c) to (e) The deliberation during the workshops focused on various aspects related to senior care, such as existing challenges, current initiatives, and best practices adopted by States/UTs to strengthen senior care and the care ecosystem for the elderly in the country. There was no participation from Jharkhand in both the workshops.

A Committee under the Chairpersonship of Dr. V.K. Paul, Member (Health), NITI Aayog, comprising representatives from the stakeholder Ministries, States/UTs, academic institutions, senior care organizations and industry has been constituted to recommend a strategic framework for holistic care and welfare of the senior citizens.

(f) There are several schemes/ programmes across various Ministries that have components which cater to strengthening senior citizen care. States/UTs also have their own schemes/programmes in this respect.
