

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3535
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2025**

CLOSURE OF FIRST TRANSGENDER CLINIC

3535. SHRI K C VENUGOPAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the abrupt closure of India's first Transgender clinic in Hyderabad due to an executive order by US Government effectively “pausing” US foreign development assistance for 90 days, on which the clinic functioned, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether concrete steps have been taken to ensure that transgender individuals continue to have uninterrupted access to specialized healthcare services in the wake of the clinic's closure and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government is considering any remedial measures to tackle this issue and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c): As informed by the Government of Telangana, Mitr clinic is run by YRG Care (Y.R. Gaitonde Centre for AIDS Research and Education) organisation and supported by John Hopkins University Baltimore (JHU), funded by United States Agency for International Development (USAID). Government of Telangana has set up Mythri clinic in all 33 districts i.e. one clinic per district on 02.12.2024 to provide services to the transgenders and so far 472 people availed services at these clinic. The closure of the Mitr clinic run by NGO does not affect the services, as 33 clinic have been established to provide services to the transgenders.

Specialized healthcare services for transgenders are provided at the central government hospitals. RML Hospital, Delhi runs a Transgender Clinic.
