

**Title: Re: Upgradation of Composite Regional Centre (CRC) for development and rehabilitation of Specially-abled persons.**

**SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO (BOLANGIR):** Sir, there is a Composite Regional Centre (CRC) in my constituency, and it has been in operation since 2015 under SVNIRTAR Olatpur, Cuttack. This centre was upgraded to CRC SRE in June 2018 with services ranging from academic to clinical. The Centre's objective is to provide both preventive and promotional aspects of rehabilitation for specially-abled persons. The centre has its own building of approximately 20,000 square feet over an area of about 4.86 acres.

However, out of the 19 posts which are there, only eight are filled up, and 11 posts are still lying vacant after all these years. The parents of special needs children have drawn my attention to the fact that their children are affected due to the absence of speech and occupational therapists. Sir, my request, through you, to the hon. Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment is to kindly issue necessary directions for immediate filling up of posts whether on regular or contractual basis so that the people of my constituency are benefited. Thank you very much, Sir. ....*(Interruptions)*

**SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB (CUTTACK):** Sir, I seek your indulgence to use your discretion.

**HON. CHAIRPERSON:** Please do not doubt about that.

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