

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up regional centres of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) in various States including Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the proposals received in this regard, if any;
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (d) whether the Government has also received any proposal for grant of financial assistance for setting up Centre of Excellence in the field of mental health at the Institute of Mental Healthcare; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the present status of the said proposal?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (c): There is no proposal under consideration to set up regional centres of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) in various states including Karnataka.

(d) & (e) : Centres of Excellence in the field of mental health are being established by upgrading and strengthening identified existing mental health hospital/ institutes with a support of upto Rs. 30 crore per centre. The support includes capital work (Academic block, Library, Hostel, Lab., Supportive departments, Lecture theatres etc.), equipments and furnishing, support for faculty induction and retention for the plan period.

The details of the proposals received from the State Governments is at Annexure – I.

After consideration of the proposals received from the various State Governments, the Standing Committee on the National Mental Health Programme (NMHP) has given certain recommendations. Based on the recommendations of the Standing Committee, funds have been released to 9 Institutes under the Centre of Excellence Scheme. The details are released is at Annexure-II.