GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1113 ANSWERED ON:28.11.2011 HOSPITALS FOR PHYSICALLY DISABLED PERSONS Ramshankar Dr.

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of physically disabled persons in the country;

(b) the number of hospitals in the country which specifically give treatment to these persons;

(c) whether the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) are also running the scheme for the welfare of physically disabled persons; and

(d) if so, the total funds being allocated annually for each of such NGOs?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SHRI D. NAPOLEON)

(a) As per census 2001, the total population of Persons with Disabilities in the country is 2.19 crores.

(b) All hospitals in the country are expected to treat everyone, including persons with disabilities.

(c) & (d) Grant-in-aid is given to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for undertaking the activities under the schemes of Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) and Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids and Appliances (ADIPS) for the welfare of persons with disabilities. Funds under the above Schemes are not allocated NGO-wise.