

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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INCLUSION OF SICKLE CELL DISEASE
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to include Sickle Cell Disease (SCD) in the proposed Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill, 2012;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the strategy chalked out by the Government for the welfare of the SCD patients?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI P. BALRAM NAIK)

(a) to (c) Revision of the existing Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 is under consideration.