

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 07.12.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**

**ASSISTANCE FOR MENTAL HEALTHCARE AT IAMC AHMEDABAD .**

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Shri     Natuji Halaji Thakor

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

- (a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has requested the Centre for assistance of ` 30.01 crores for setting up a centre of excellence in the field of mental healthcare in the premises of the Institute of Mental Healthcare (IMHC), Ahmedabad;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and response of the Central Government thereto; and
- (c) the time likely to be taken to release it?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) to (c) After consideration of the proposal received from the Government of Gujarat, the Standing Committee on the National Mental Health Programme has recommended a central assistance of Rs. 26.72 crore to Hospital for Mental Health, Ahmedabad (IMHC) for establishment of a centre of excellence in the field of mental health. The Government has released an amount of Rs. 5.28 crores as the first instalment to the said Institute in the month of November. 2009.