

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4447
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th APRIL, 2017**

BUDGETARY ALLOCATION FOR MENTAL HEALTHCARE

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

- (a) whether Government is having figures as to how many qualified mental health professionals are there in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what plans Government has drawn up for spreading awareness about mental health; and
- (c) the details of budgetary allocations for improving mental health conditions during the last three years?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

- (a): As per the available information, there are 3827 Psychiatrists, 898 Clinical Psychologists, 850 Psychiatric Social Workers and 1500 Psychiatric Nurses in the country.
- (b): Under the National Mental Health Programme, support is provided for implementation of Information Education and Communication (IEC) activities for spreading awareness about mental health and removal of stigma associated with mental illness.
- (c): The details of financial allocation for the implementation of tertiary and district level activities under the National Mental Health Programme is annexed.

ANNEXURE

Details of funds allocated during the last three years under National Mental Health Programme (NMHP)

(Rs. in Crores)

| Year | District Level Activities | Tertiary Level Activities |
|-------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2014 – 15 | 68.28 | 200 |
| 2015 – 16* | 94.89 | 35 |
| 2016 – 17* | 125.70 | 35 |

* District level activities under the National Mental Health Programme is part of **NCD Flexible Pool** under the National Health Mission. Funds for implementation for the district level activities under NMHP from the year 2015-16 onwards are being released as part of the funds for NCD Flexible Pool.