

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO03.12.2004
ANSWERED ON
CHANGES IN THE MENTAL HEALTH POLICY .

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government are seriously thinking of bringing drastic changes in the Mental Health Policy of the country ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (c) machinery created for implementation of the above policy?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE

(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) There is no proposal to change the present strategy which is to diagnose the mentally ill patients at the early stage and treat them through the general health delivery system.