

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

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 599
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1ST MARCH, 2016**

UPGRADATION OF MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTE, CUTTACK

599. SHRI DILIP KUMAR TIRKEY:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has received a proposal from the Odisha State Government for upgradation of the Mental Health Institute, Cuttack into a fullfledged super speciality institute of mental health and neuro-sciences at par with NIMHANS, Bengaluru to cater to the need of the Eastern Region of the country; and

(b) if so, what is the progress in this regard?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)**

(a) & (b): The Government had approved a proposal for establishment of a Centre of Excellence in the field of Mental Health at the Mental Health Institute, Cuttack and funds amounting to Rs. 27.78 crores were released for the same. However, there is no proposal under consideration in this Ministry for upgradation of the said Institute into a full-fledged super specialty institute of mental health and neuro-sciences at par with NIMHANS, Bengaluru.

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