

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2165
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY 2026**

CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE FOR RARE DISEASES

†2165. SHRI TANUJ PUNIA:

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

- (a) the total number of medical institutions currently designated as 'Centres of Excellence' (CoEs) for the treatment and research of rare diseases in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the total budgetary funds allocated and released to these Centers of Excellence during the last two years for the treatment of eligible patients under the National Policy for Rare Diseases;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that patients from the North-Eastern region and several backward states are forced to undertake long-distance travel to AIIMS Delhi or other metropolitan cities for treatment due to the limited number of such centres and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the roadmap formulated by the Government to integrate all AIIMS institutions across the country into this 'Centres of Excellence' network?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

- (a) The number of Centers of Excellence (CoEs) under the National Policy for Rare Diseases (NPRD) has doubled from 8 since its inception in 2021 to 16, as on date. The State-wise list of CoEs is placed at annexure.
- (b) Total budgetary funds released under the NPRD, 2021 during the last two years are approximately ₹177.14 cr.
- (c) and (d) The Government establishes new CoEs from time to time to improve geographical accessibility to rare disease care, subject to the availability of the requisite infrastructure and human resources, based on the recommendations of the Technical Committee. To improve the rare disease treatment accessibility in the North-Eastern region of the country, two CoEs have also been established at Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal (Manipur) and Assam Medical College and Hospital, Dibrugarh (Assam).

Annexure**List of Centers of Excellences (CoEs) for Rare Diseases under the National Policy for Rare Diseases (NPRD), 2021**

S. No.	Name of the Institute	State/UT
1.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi	Delhi
2.	Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi	
3.	Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
4.	Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh	Chandigarh
5.	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting & Diagnostics with Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad	Telangana
6.	King Edward Medical Hospital, Mumbai	Maharashtra
7.	All India Institute of Medical Science, Nagpur	
8.	Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Education and Research, Kolkata	West Bengal
9.	Center for Human Genetics(CHG) with Indira Gandhi Hospital, Bengaluru	Karnataka
10.	Institute of Child Health and Hospital for Children (ICH & CH), Chennai	Tamil Nadu
11.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Jodhpur	Rajasthan
12.	Sree Avittam Thirunal Hospital (SAT), Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
13.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
14.	Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, Imphal	Manipur
15.	Assam Medical College and Hospital, Dibrugarh	Assam
16.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna	Bihar
