

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 911  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2025**

**DEVELOPMENT UNDER NPPCD**

**911. SHRI SANJAY SETH:**

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

(a) the detailed data on the number of medically rehabilitated persons suffering from deafness under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness (NPPCD);

(b) whether any technological innovation has been introduced under NPPCD to enhance early detection and treatment of auditory impairment under NPPCD in 2024;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the progress in developing infrastructure for ENT and Audiology at different levels under NPPCD in 2024; and

(e) the details of the manpower training and development under NPPCD in 2024?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (e) Under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness (NPPCD) medically rehabilitated persons are 1,38,813, including people who were prescribed hearing aids and are surgically treated. No new technological innovation has been introduced to enhance early detection and treatment of auditory impairment under NPPCD in 2024. The audiology infrastructure is established at 584 District Hospitals of States/UTs. Medical Officers, Audiologists, Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA), Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery (ANM), Hearing Instructors, Ear Nose Throat doctor (ENTs), Paediatrician, Nursing Officer, Lady Health Visitor (LHV) were trained under NPPCD in 2024.

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