

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF YOGA CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there was a lone Yoga Centre located at Ashoka Road, New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith its achievements;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to set up such Yoga centers in different parts of Delhi to cure diseases like diabetes, heart, BP etc.; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): The Central Government has set up an autonomous body in the name of the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga at Ashoka Road in New Delhi to develop, promote and propagate Yoga and to serve as a model Yoga Institute. The institute has been conducting Yoga classes for out-patients/Sadhaks (healthy individuals), treating out-door patients through Yoga therapy, conducting one year Diploma Course in Yoga, participating in health melas in India and abroad besides organizing health camps.

(c) & (d): The Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy, New Delhi, an autonomous body under this Ministry has a scheme for providing grant-in-aid to Yoga centres. However, 'Public Health, hospitals and dispensaries' being in the State list vide entry No.6 of the 7th Schedule to the Constitution, it for the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi to consider proposals to set up Yoga centres in different parts of Delhi to cure diseases like diabetes, High BP etc.