

National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction

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National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction Latest News

The Union government has invited proposals to set up District De-Addiction Centres (DDACs) in 291 “gap” districts across 30 States and Union Territories in the country as part of its National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction.

About National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction

- It is a **centrally sponsored scheme**.
- **Aim:** Reduction of adverse consequences of drug abuse through a **multi-pronged strategy: education, de-addiction, and rehabilitation** of affected individuals and families.
- Under this scheme **financial assistance is** provided to
 - **State Governments/** Union Territory (UT) Administrations for Preventive Education and Awareness Generation, Capacity Building, Programmes for Drug Demand Reduction by States/UTs etc.
 - **NGOs/VOs** for running and maintenance of Integrated Rehabilitation Centres for Addicts (IRCA), Integrated Rehabilitation Centres (IRCA), Community Peer-led Interventions (CPLI) Outreach and Drop-in Centres (ODIC) and **District De-Addiction Centres** (DDACs); and

- **Government Hospitals** for Addiction Treatment Facilities (ATFs)
- **Target Period: 2018-2025**

Objectives of National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction

- Create awareness and educate people on the **ill-effects of drug abuse**, reduce stigmatization, and facilitate social reintegration.
- Develop human resources and build capacity.
- Facilitate research, training, documentation, innovation, and information collection.
- Provide community-based services for identification, motivation, counseling, de-addiction, after-care, and rehabilitation for Whole Person Recovery (WPR).
- Formulate and implement comprehensive guidelines, schemes, and programs using a multi-agency approach.
- Address all **forms of drug abuse**.
- Alleviate the consequences of drug dependence.

National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction FAQs

Q1: Which is the nodal ministry for drug demand reduction in India?

Ans: The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

Q2: What is the Action Plan for Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan?

Ans: Nasha Mukta Bharat Campaign is a three-pronged attack combining the supply curb by Narcotics Control Bureau, Outreach and Awareness and Demand Reduction effort by Social Justice and Empowerment and treatment through Health Department.

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