

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4004
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD APRIL, 2018**

AYUSH HOSPITAL AT VISAKHAPATNAM

4004. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has recently approved a 50-bedded AYUSH hospital at Visakhapatnam under National AYUSH Mission;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that ` 100 lakh have also been released recently;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and how this meagre amount is sufficient for the hospital; and
- (d) why cannot the Ministry plan to have AYUSH medical college in Visakhapatnam as there is also Regional Ayurveda Research Institute at Vijayawada?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) to (c): Yes, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM), Central Government has approved a 50-bedded integrated AYUSH hospital at Visakhapatnam and sanctioned Rs. 100.00 lakhs and Rs. 121.91 lakhs during 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively for this unit in two installments. However, as per NAM guidelines there is provision of financial assistance of Rs. 900.00 lakhs as non-recurring and Rs. 150.00 lakhs as recurring for setting up of 50 bedded integrated AYUSH hospital and accordingly, State Government may project their further demand in State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) after utilization of earlier sanctioned grant. Apart from the Central grant-in-aid, concerned State Government also provides the matching State share for completion of the project.

(d): Health is a State Subject. Opening of AYUSH institutions/colleges comes under the purview of concerned State/UT Governments. However, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission there is provision of financial assistance for setting up of new AYUSH educational Institutions in the States where it is not available in Government sector. State/UT Government may avail eligible financial assistance by projecting the same through State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) as per NAM guideline.

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