

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.494
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2023**

**INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACCESSIBILITY OF AYUSH SERVICES ACROSS THE
COUNTRY**

**494 SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:
SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:**

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken or proposes to take measures to improve the infrastructure and accessibility of AYUSH services across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken under National AYUSH Mission (NAM) to promote the development of AYUSH practices and medicines in the country?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

(a) to (c) Public Health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to improve the infrastructure and accessibility of Ayush services across the country lies with the respective State/UT Government. However, the Government of India has launched the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National Ayush Mission (NAM) implementing through States/UTs for the overall development of Ayush systems also, including infrastructural development and access to Ayush Services. National Ayush Mission inter-alia makes provisions for the following activities to promote the development of Ayush practices and medicines in the country through State/UT Governments:-

- (i) Operationalisation of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres by upgrading existing Ayush dispensaries and subcentres
- (ii) Co-location of Ayush facilities at PHCs, CHCs and DHs
- (iii) Upgradation of existing standalone Government Ayush Hospitals
- (iv) Upgradation of existing Government/Panchayat/Government aided Ayush Dispensaries/Construction of building for existing Ayush Dispensary (Rented/dilapidated accommodation)/Construction of building to establish new Ayush Dispensary
- (v) Setting up of 10/30/50 bedded integrated Ayush Hospitals

- (vi) Supply of essential drugs to Government Ayush Hospitals, Government Dispensaries and Government/Government aided Teaching Institutional Ayush Hospitals
- (vii) Ayush Public Health Programmes
- (viii) Behaviour Change Communication (BCC)
- (ix) Mobility support at State and District level
- (x) Ayush Gram
- (xi) Establishment of new Ayush colleges in the States where availability of AYUSH teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector
- (xii) Infrastructural development of Ayush Under-Graduate Institutions
- (xiii) Infrastructural development of Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/ add on PG/ Pharmacy/Para-Medical Courses

Further, State/UT Government may avail financial assistance by submitting proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per NAM guidelines.
