GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.162 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th DECEMBER, 2023

Inclusion of AYUSH in AB-PMJAY

162 Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

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

(a) whether the Ministry has made any request to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to include Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy in Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF AYUSH (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) and (b) Yes sir. Ministry of Ayush has initiated efforts to include of Ayush interventions in Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) in 2018 by submitting its proposal to National Health Authority. Recently, Ministry of Ayush vide D.O. letter no. T-16011/1/2020-DCC (AYUSH) dated 29.05.2023 has requested Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to take necessary action for inclusion of 172 Ayush treatment packages in health insurance scheme so as the beneficiaries can avail such treatment packages of Ayush systems under AB-PMJAY. Further, Ministry of Ayush vide D.O. letter no. T-16011/1/2020-DCC dated 06.10.2023 has requested Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to advice on whether existing funds of AB-PMJAY can be utilized for the inclusion of Ayush packages.

(c) Does not arise.
