GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

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Creation of an organized Ayurveda system at the global level

965 # Shri Ram Shakal:

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

- (a) whether the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) has been launched by Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government is creating an organized Ayurveda system at the global level through education, research, production and service;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the contribution that will be reaped in India's progress under 'Ayurveda for One Health' campaign?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF AYUSH (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) & (b) Yes Sir. 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. NAM inter-alia makes provisions for the following activities in the country through State/UT Governments:-
 - (i) Operationalisation of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres by upgrading existing Ayush dispensaries and sub centres
 - (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 and Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/ add on PG/ Pharmacy/Para-Medical Courses

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

(c) & (d) The Ministry of Ayush under the Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of International Co-operation in Ayush (IC Scheme), supports Ayush Industry/ Ayush Service providers to export Ayush products and services. The scheme also has provision to support holding training workshop/symposiums for promoting and strengthening awareness and interest about Ayush Systems of Medicine at international level. The Ministry is engaged in multilateral cooperation with various forums viz. BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa), SCO (Shanghai Cooperation Organisation), ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations and Shanghai Cooperation Organisation), IBSA(India, Brazil, South Africa), G20, BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) etc. and bilateral dialogues with various countries across the world to facilitates the International promotion, development & recognition of Ayush systems of medicine.

Till date, Ministry of Ayush has signed 24 Country to Country Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) for cooperation in the field of traditional medicines; 46 MoUs with international institutes for undertaking Collaborative Research/ Academic collaboration and 15 MoUs with international institutes for setting up of Ayush Academic Chairs in foreign nations. Under these MoUs, various activities for promotion of Ayurveda education, research, products & services.

Ministry of Ayush under its Ayush scholarship scheme offers 104 scholarships every year to the eligible foreign nationals from 102 countries for pursuing undergraduate (UG), postgraduate (PG) and Ph.D courses in Ayush in premier Institutes in India.

(e) The Ministry of Ayush had celebrated 8th Ayurveda Day with the focal theme 'Ayurveda for One Heath' with Tag line 'Ayurveda for every one on every day' focusing on human-animal-plant-environment interface. The theme chosen is in alignment with the theme of India's G20 Presidency, 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'. A month-long global campaign was launched on October 10, 2023. Students, farmers and general public from about 100 countries of the world joined the 'Ayurveda for One Health' campaign and about 16 Crore people supported the campaign through the Ayurveda Day microsite, social media and various activities conducted on ground.