

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION No. 129  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2025**

**Shortage of doctors in Ayurvedic Medical Centres**

**129 # Shri Neeraj Dangi:**

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

- (a) the details of the number of vacancies of Ayurvedic doctors across the country, State-wise including the State of Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the situation of closure of the medical centres has persisted due to shortage of Ayurvedic doctors, if so, the efforts being made for these centres;
- (c) whether Government proposes to extend guidance or financial aid to the State Government for the recruitment of Ayurvedic doctors in view of the increasing demand for Ayurvedic treatment nationwide; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the alternative policy for the recruitment of doctors?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

- (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**The Statement referred in reply to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 129 for 11.03.2025**

(a) & (b) Public Health being a State subject, the number of vacancies of Ayurvedic doctors across the country including the State of Rajasthan is not maintained by the Central Government. Further, the primary responsibility to fill up the vacancies of Ayurvedic doctors across the country including the State of Rajasthan comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments as Public Health is a State subject.

(c) & (d) Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM), the components for setting up of upto 50/30/10 bedded integrated Ayush Hospitals, upgradation of exclusive standalone Ayush Hospitals inter-alia are having provision for contractual deployment of Ayush Doctors including Ayurveda. State/UT Governments are required to submit their proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the guidelines of the scheme.

In addition, Government of India has adopted a strategy of Co-location of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs), thus enabling the choice to the patients for different systems of medicines under a single window. The engagement of contractual Ayush doctors/ paramedics and their training is being supported by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare under National Health Mission (NHM). State/UT Governments are required to submit their proposals through Program Implementation Plans (PIPs).

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