

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 78
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2025**

National AYUSH Mission

78 Shri Madan Rathore:

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

- (a) the details of National AYUSH Mission (NAM);
- (b) the success rate in strengthening AYUSH healthcare services and integrating it into the mainstream public health sector;
- (c) the impact of NAM on healthcare accessibility and quality across the targeted regions; and
- (d) the strategies employed to ensure that the benefits of NAM reach vulnerable populations, including those in rural and tribal areas?

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. 78 for 11.02.2025

(a) Ministry of Ayush is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments for development and promotion of Ayush systems of medicine in the country including vulnerable populations in rural and tribal areas. Grant-in-aid is provided to States/UTs as per the proposals submitted by them through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs). The NAM inter-alia makes provision for following activities:

- (i) Operationalization of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres (AHWCs) now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush).
- (ii) Co-location of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (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 Programs
- (viii) Establishment of new Ayush colleges in the States where availability of AYUSH teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector.
- (ix) Infrastructural development of Ayush Under-Graduate Institutions and Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/add on PG/ Pharmacy/Para-Medical Courses.

Under NAM, as per the proposals received from the State/UT Governments through SAAPs, Ministry of Ayush has released an amount of Rs. 4534.28 Crores from the year 2014-15 to 2023-24 for implementation of different activities in the country. The major achievement under NAM is furnished at **Annexure**.

(b) 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 Ayush doctors/ paramedics and their training is being supported by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare under National Health Mission (NHM), while the support for Ayush infrastructure, equipment/ furniture and medicines is being provided by the Ministry of Ayush under National Ayush Mission (NAM), as shared responsibilities. Further, 6354 PHCs, 3010 CHCs and 474 DHs have been co-located with Ayush facilities across the country as per the NHM-MIS database as on 30.06.2024.

(c) After implementation of NAM Scheme, the scale of achievement for development of Ayush system of medicine in the States/UTs has increased significantly. Accordingly, budget allocation of NAM enhanced gradually from Rs. 75.28 Crore (in 2014-15) to Rs.1200.00 Crore (in 2024-25) for implementation of different activities of NAM Scheme through States/UTs. Under NAM, Ministry of Ayush has approved 167 integrated Ayush hospitals from 2014-15 to 2022-23. Out of approved integrated Ayush hospitals, 52 hospitals are functional and providing treatment to public at large.

Further, Ministry of Ayush has also approved 12500 Ayush Health & Wellness Centres (AHWCs) now known as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) to be operationalized by upgrading Ayush Dispensaries and Sub Health Centres. As reported by State/UT Governments, 12273 AHWCs are functional and providing holistic Ayush services at the grass root level to the community including vulnerable populations in rural and tribal areas. Further, as reported by State/UT Governments, total 9.05 crore beneficiaries have visited to Ayushman Arogya Mandir-Ayush (AAM-Ayush) during the year 2023-24.

(d) Under NAM, State/UT Governments are also being supported for implementation of following structured Ayush Public Health Programmes in different parts of the country including vulnerable populations in rural and tribal areas to address the problem of masses as per the potentials of Ayush health care systems in providing preventive, promotive, curative and rehabilitative health care as standalone or add on to conventional interventions:-

(i) National Program for Prevention and Management of Musculoskeletal Disorders:-National Program for Prevention and Management of Osteoarthritis & other Musculoskeletal Disorders wherein awareness, screening and Ayush interventions are being focused.

(ii) Integration of Ayush with National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS)

(iii) SUPRAJA (AYUSH Maternal & Neo-natal Intervention):For strengthening Ayush based Maternal & Neo-natal Interventions through Ayush teaching hospitals

(iv) VAYO MITRA (AYUSH Geriatric Healthcare Services): Ayush Geriatric Healthcare Services is a program for senior citizens to live healthy productive lives.

(v) AYURVIDYA: (Promotion of healthy lifestyle through AYUSH System in School) Ayurvedya program for Healthy Lifestyle through Ayush for School Children.

(vi) AYUSH Mobile Medical Unit: Mobile Medical Units are proposed for healthcare in underserved and far flung areas including tribal area through Ayush systems.

(vii) KARUNYA: (AYUSH Palliative Services): Ayush Palliative Services aims to improve Quality of Life in patients under palliative care.

(viii) National Program on AYUSH for morbidity management and Disability Prevention (MMDP) of Lymphatic Filariasis (lymphoedema):Morbidity management and Disability Prevention (MMDP) of Lymphatic Filariasis (lymphoedema) through Ayush interventions.

Annexure referred in reply to the Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 78 for 11.02.2025

Annexure

Major activities supported under NAM from 2014-15 to 2023-24

- (i) 167 units supported for setting up of Integrated Ayush hospitals
- (ii) 416 Ayush Hospitals and 5036 Ayush dispensaries have been supported for Up-gradation of infrastructure and other facilities
- (iii) 2322 PHCs, 715 CHCs and 314 DHs have been supported under co-location for recurring assistance of medicines and contingency on an average in each year
- (iv) 996 Ayush Hospitals and 12405 Ayush dispensaries have been supported for supply of essential Ayush medicines on an average in each year.
- (v) 16 units supported for establishment of New Ayush Educational Institutions
- (vi) 76 Under-Graduate and 36 Post-Graduate Ayush Educational Institutes have been supported for Upgradation of infrastructure, Library and other things
- (vii) 1055 Ayush Grams have been supported
- (viii) 12500 Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) have been supported.