

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 972
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2025**

“Underutilization of funds in Ayush”

972. Shri Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla:

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

(a) the systemic barriers, such as bureaucratic red tape and procedural delays, that contribute to the underutilization of funds in the Ministry of Ayush, and the manner in which these barriers can be addressed through systemic reforms; and

(b) the potential future scenarios for fund utilization in the Ministry of Ayush, and the manner in which policymakers and stakeholders can work together to design more effective and efficient funding mechanisms that support the growth and development of the Ayush sector ?

ANSWER

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

(a) Since the establishment as Ministry, the budgetary and utilization capacity of the Ministry has been growing. During last five year, the average utilization capacity was more than 96% against the allocated budget in Revised Estimates (RE) (details are at Annexure) except during the COVID-19 period. As such, there is no systemic barriers like bureaucratic red tape and procedural delays that contribute to the underutilization of funds in the Ministry of Ayush.

(b) For effective and efficient funding to support the growth and development of the Ayush sector there are various mechanisms available such as monitoring of pace of expenditure at

Senior Officer's level, interaction with various stakeholders, review meetings, field visit and adherence of Cash Management Guidelines issued by Ministry of Finance from time to time etc. Further, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme i.e., National Ayush Mission (NAM) the monthly/quarterly reports on various parameters are also being obtained from the States/UTs to assess the physical/ financial progress of different approved activities of NAM. The Ministry regularly interacts with all States/UTs through National level conferences, Regional review meetings, field visits, one to one meetings etc. to analyze the progress of NAM scheme and to facilitate State/UT for effective implementation of the activities in the field.

Annexure**Status of Budget Estimates (BE), Revised Estimates (RE) and Actual Release for the last
five year**

(Rs. In Crore)				
YEAR	Budget Estimates (BE)	Revised Estimates (RE)	Actual Release	%age of Actual Release w.r.t RE
2020-21	2122.08	2322.08	2291.98	98.70%
2021-22	2970.30	2664.42	2538.42	95.27%
2022-23	3050.00	2845.75	2663.30	93.59%
2023-24	3647.50	3000.00	2916.31	97.21%
2024-25	3712.49	3497.64	3468.64	99.17%
Average of last five year actual release (Total of %age of Actual Release w.r.t RE / 5 i.e., 483.94% / 5)				96.79%