GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 176 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2025

Access to Ayush Service in Karnataka

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Will the Minister of Ayush be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the access to Ayush services has improved after the launch of National Ayush Mission (NAM) by Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of Ayush beneficiaries during the last five years, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether Government, through NAM scheme, has made any extra effort to popularise the benefits of Ayush system of medicine in rural areas where availability of other healthcare facilities is relatively inferior than urban areas; and
- (d) whether Government is taking any other steps to make Ayush system of medicine more accessible and affordable in rural areas particularly in Karnataka?

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

- (a) to (b) Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) State/UT Governments have been supported under different activities for strengthening of Ayush infrastructure implementation of different Ayush Public Health Programmes throughout the country. As per the proposals received from State/UT Governments total grant in aid of Rs. 5670.82 crores from 2014-15 to 2024-25 has been released for implementation of different activities of SAAP for providing better access to Ayush services in the country. The major activities supported/achievements made under NAM from 2014-15 to 2024-25 is enclosed at **Annexure I.** Further the data of beneficiaries visited to different Ayush facilities to avail Ayush health care services are being maintained by the respective State/UT Governments. However, State /UT wise status of beneficiaries visited at Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) during last three years as reported by the State/UTs is furnished at **Annexure II.**
- (c) Ministry of Ayush is supporting the efforts of State/UT Governments for overall development & promotion of Ayush system in the country by providing financial assistance to

them for different activities proposed through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the provisions of NAM guideline. The Mission inter-alia makes provision for following activities:

- (i) Operationalization of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres (AHWCs), now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush), by upgrading existing Ayush dispensaries and Sub health Centres.
- (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.

Further Ministry of Ayush also implements a Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) in Ayush to create awareness regarding Ayush Systems of Medicine. This scheme aims to reach out to all sections of the population across the country and under this Scheme, Ministry organizes National/State level Arogya Fairs, Yoga Fests/Utsavs, Ayurveda Parvs, Celebrate Important Days of Ayush Systems including Ayurveda day, Participate in Health Fairs/ Melas & Exhibitions, provide financial assistance for organizing seminars, workshops, conferences and conduct multimedia campaigns etc.

(d) Public Health being a State Subject, the primary responsibility to make Ayush system of medicine more accessible and affordable in rural areas particularly in Karnataka lies with the respective State/UT Government, however under NAM as per the proposals received from the State Government through State Annual Action Plans 376 existing Ayush Dispensaries have been upgraded to Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) in different parts of the State including rural areas.

The major activities supported/achievements made under NAM from 2014-15 to 2024-25

- (i) 203 units supported for setting up of Integrated Ayush Hospitals.
- (ii) 518 Ayush Hospitals and 6234 Ayush Dispensaries have been supported for Up gradation of infrastructure and other facilities.
- (iii) 2387 Primary Health Centres (PHCs), 746 Community Health Centres (CHCs) and 319 District Hospitals (DHs) have been supported under co-location for recurring assistance of medicines and contingency on an average in each year.
- (iv) 1157 Ayush Hospitals and 12677 Ayush Dispensaries have been supported for supply of essential Ayush medicines on an average in each year.
- (v) 21 units supported for establishment of New Ayush Educational Institutions.
- (vi) 78 Under-Graduate and 46 Post-Graduate Ayush Educational Institutes have been supported for Upgradation of infrastructure, Library and other things.
- (vii) 383 units supported for establishment of New Ayush Dispensaries.
- (viii) 1429 Ayush Grams have been supported.
- (ix) 12500 Ayush Health & Wellness Centres now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) have been supported.

Annexure -II
State/UT-wise number of beneficiaries availed the services through AAM (Ayush) as reported by them.

State / UT	2020-21	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Andaman & Nicobar						
Islands	0	11090	7982	9181	8885	37138
Andhra Pradesh	0	404115	703804	713523	546821	2368263
Arunachal Pradesh	1401	25278	55348	71249	66753	220029
Assam	0	28092	313319	3343870	10793836	14479117
Bihar	103269	194960	231661	291037	611767	1432694
Chandigarh	142899	200235	127474	120426	90009	681043
Chhattisgarh	140285	1281136	2356871	2346115	2061862	8186269
Dadra & Nagar Haveli						
and Daman & Diu	0	0	2670	26912	21616	51198
Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goa	19180	53324	254962	366284	321157	1014907
Gujarat	951290	1578001	6333646	5807405	1386667	16057009
Haryana	2322803	2514230	2658480	2473949	3060011	13029473
Himachal Pradesh	588655	736738	2331404	2342366	2095283	8094446
Jammu & Kashmir	0	2685966	3018269	2412595	1899107	10015937
Jharkhand	123705	187363	1487747	2691204	2514489	7004508
Karnataka	606296	763257	1660552	1896859	1529400	6456364
Kerala	1525596	5829043	6672089	8344225	5881462	28252415
Ladakh	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lakshadweep	8726	38515	55723	42215	43356	188535
Madhya Pradesh	1274788	1601107	2590895	4611884	4613426	14692100
Maharashtra	726140	764615	1073779	1517652	1612103	5694289
Manipur	737	946	5301	13853	17927	38764
Meghalaya	0	0	37950	52198	72368	162516
Mizoram	10060	34195	94639	126325	116855	382074
Nagaland	1498	21480	38444	40948	39763	142133
Odisha	901085	6820072	1732981	2595883	2401578	14451599
Puducherry	35557	57237	58978	62705	30242	244719
Punjab	0	0	0	767453	653206	1420659
Rajasthan	1775405	8396431	17740280	39066293	39891250	106869659
Sikkim	20778	35094	44061	47806	46063	193802
Tamil Nadu	30555959	25456637	11287166	13826356	11809724	92935842
Telangana	3833738	2358802	2913265	2061093	1556609	12723507
Tripura	0	0	55385	103439	126345	285169
Uttar Pradesh	3759536	13245767	16445963	12427257	10109956	55988479
Uttarakhand	163669	445740	1706811	1352831	982102	4651153
West Bengal	1164213	8431205	4816907	3677126	3202846	21292297
Total	50757268	84200671	88914806	115650517	110214844	449738106