

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 327
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2026**

Status of Ayush services in erode district of Tamil Nadu

327 Shri Anthiyur P. Selvarasu:

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

- (a) whether Government has assessed the demand for Siddha, Ayurveda and Yoga services in erode district in the State of Tamil Nadu, including Erode city, Bhavani and Gobichettipalayam;
- (b) if so, the details of Government plan for upgrading Ayush wings, diagnostic support, staff training and patient awareness drives in Erode district; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to improve referral linkage with Primary Health Centers (PHCs) and regular follow-up mechanisms in the said district?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Yes, the demand for Siddha, Ayurveda and Yoga services in Erode District, including Erode City, Bhavani and Gobichettipalayam, has been assessed by the State Government, as reported and addressed under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM), being implemented by the Government of India with support of State Government. Accordingly, a Co-located ISM Wing at Nambiyur (near Gobichettipalayam) has been upgraded at a cost of Rs. 23.30 lakh, covering civil works, equipment, furniture and medicines. Further, Yoga services under Ayush Public Health Program of Integration of Ayush with National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) have been established at Bhavani, and Siddha services under NPCDCS at Erode. In addition, Ayush wings providing Siddha, Yoga and Homoeopathy services are functioning at the District Headquarters Hospital, Erode, with a grant-in-aid of Rs. 25.00 lakh. The State Government has taken steps for strengthening Ayush services in Erode District through upgradation of Ayush wings, capacity building of staff and patient awareness activities under the NAM. Under the State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) 2025–26, upgradation of Co-located Ayush Wings at 11 locations in Erode District has been proposed, covering infrastructure strengthening, equipment, medicines and diagnostic support.

With regard to staff training, Siddha Varma Training was conducted in Erode District on 14.11.2025. In addition, training programmes for Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Homoeopathy and Ayurveda systems have also been completed recently to enhance service delivery and clinical skills of Ayush personnel. Regarding patient awareness, Ayush awareness programmes are being conducted twice every month in Erode District and block-wise awareness activities are also being regularly organized to promote Ayush systems and healthy lifestyle practices among the public.

(c) As reported by the State Government of Tamil Nadu, Ayush services are provided through co-located Ayush wings in Primary Health Centres (PHCs), enabling coordination between Ayush and Allopathy systems. At present, patients requiring higher-level care are referred by Ayush doctors to Allopathy facilities as per clinical need and follow-up of referred cases is undertaken as per existing clinical practice.
