

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 252
ANSWERED ON-11/08/2026

FOCUS AREAS FOR STRENGTHENING AYUSH SECTOR

*252. SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI:

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

- (a) the key focus areas identified for strengthening the Ayush sector under the Union Budget 2026-27;
- (b) the details of the major initiatives proposed to be undertaken from the budgetary allocation made to the Ministry;
- (c) the details of the proposal to support States in establishing Regional Medical Hubs under the Medical Value Tourism initiative; and
- (d) the salient features of the proposed Regional Medical Hubs, including the Ayush component envisaged thereunder?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 252 FOR REPLY ON 11.08.2026 REGARDING FOCUS AREAS FOR STRENGTHENING AYUSH SECTOR ASKED BY SHRI BABUBHAI JESANGBHAI DESAI.

(a) The key focus areas identified for strengthening the Ayush sector under the Union Budget 2026-27 are setting up of three new All India Institutes of Ayurveda, upgradation of WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre in Jamnagar to bolster evidence-based research, training and awareness for traditional medicine, Training of care givers including Ayush, Inclusion of Ayush in Medical Value Tourism and Strengthening of high Standard of Certification facility in Ayush.

(b) The budget allocation for the Ministry of Ayush for the year 2026-27 comprise the allocation of Rs. 114.86 crore for carrying out the Administrative expenses, Rs. 2588.47 crore for running the various activities under statutory/autonomous bodies, Rs. 405.60 crore for carrying out the various activities under Central Sector schemes and Rs. 1300.00 crore for carrying out the various activities under Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

Ministry of Ayush is implementing one Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely National Ayush Mission (Details at **Annexure – I**) and six Central Sector Scheme namely Information, Education and Communication (IEC), Promotion of International Cooperation (IC), Ayurgyan, Ayurswasthaya Yojana, Ayush Oushadhi Gunvatta Evum Uttapadan Sanvardhan Yojana (AOGUSY) and Central Sector Scheme for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants. The scheme-wise budget allocation for the year 2026-27 is at **Annexure – II**.

(c) & (d) : The establishment of regional medical hubs was announced in the Union Budget 2026–27. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), the nodal Department for this initiative, had undertaken extensive stakeholder consultations, including through a post- Budget webinar with domain experts, concerned Ministries and Departments, healthcare institutions, industry associations, representatives of the hospitality sector, multilateral organisations and other stakeholders. Ministry of Ayush has provided timely technical inputs and suggestions to DPIIT for integration of Ayush systems in the said hubs. No formal proposals for implementation framework have been received.

Centrally Sponsored Scheme (National Ayush Mission)

Ministry of Ayush is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments and supporting their efforts for overall development and promotion of Ayush systems of medicines including Ayurveda in the Country through State/UT Governments and providing financial assistance to them as per the proposals received in their State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) within the provisions of NAM guidelines.

The NAM inter-alia makes provision for the following:

- (i) Operationalization of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) by upgrading existing Ayush dispensaries.
- (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 in the area where there are no Ayush facilities available.
- (v) Setting up of up to 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 Programmes.
- (viii) BCC/IEC Activities.
- (ix) Establishment of new Ayush colleges in the States where availability of Ayush teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector.
- (x) Infrastructural development of Ayush Under-Graduate Institutions and Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/ add on PG/ Pharmacy /Para-Medical Courses.

Further, as per the proposals received from State/UT Governments through SAAPs, an amount of Rs. 6,40,699.24 lakhs have been allocated/released from 2014-15 to 2025-26.

Annexure – II
(Rs. In Crore)

Sl. No.	Schemes/ Programmes	Allocated Budget	Funds Released (as on 04-08-26)
A	Establishment of Expenditure of the Centre	114.86	32.48
1	Secretariat	74.44	20.53
2	National Medicinal Plant Board	18.16	6.89
3	Pharmacopoeia Commission of Indian Medicine & Homeopathy (PCIM&H)	22.26	5.06
B	Statutory/Autonomous Bodies	2588.47	1095.93
1	Institute of Teaching & Research in Ayurveda	219.05	79.50
2	National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM)	37.28	18.66
3	National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH)	20.00	10.00
4	Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences	524.05	257.78
5	Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine	208.50	103.38
6	Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy	227.25	110.63
7	All India Institute of Ayurveda(AIIA), New Delhi	270.20	110.80
8	National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata	91.99	46.00
9	National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur	227.85	106.43
10	Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth	34.27	8.57
11	National Institute of Siddha, Chennai	136.59	42.80
12	National Institute of Unani Medicine, Bangalore	124.50	62.25
13	Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga	46.50	18.13
14	National Institute of Naturopathy, Pune	38.00	9.50
15	North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Homoeopathy, Shillong	49.43	12.36
16	Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy	137.70	34.43
17	National Institute of Sowa Rigpa	42.03	10.51
18	Central Councils for Research in Siddha	120.98	46.12
19	North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Folk Medicine Research, Passighat	32.30	8.08
C	Central Sector Scheme	405.60	70.61
1	Information, Education and Communication	45.00	8.04
2	Promotion of International Cooperation	156.00	18.83
3	Central Sector Scheme for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants	65.00	14.43
4	Ayush Oushadhi Gunvatta Evum Uttapadan Sanvardhan Yojana (AOGUSY)	27.00	5.15
5	Ayurswasthaya Yojana	62.60	15.59
6	Ayurgyan	50.00	8.57
D	Centrally Sponsored Scheme	1300.00	151.43
1	National Ayush Mission	1300.00	151.43
Total A + B + C + D :		4408.93	1350.45