

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO - 27
ANSWERED ON 21/07/2026
Global promotion of Ayush System

***27 # Shri Brij Lal:**

Will the Minister of Ayush be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the steps taken by Government for the global promotion and recognition of Ayush systems including Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy;
- (b) the details regarding the export of Ayush products and services, as well as international cooperation established and Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) signed during the year 2025-26; and
- (c) the details of the progress made towards the integration of Ayush with the modern healthcare system, both within the country and at the international level?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH
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- (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

The Statement referred in reply to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 27 for

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(a) and (b) Ministry of Ayush is implementing the central sector scheme for Promotion of International Cooperation for Ayush including Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy. Under this scheme the Ministry provides support to Indian Ayush drug Manufacturers/ Ayush Service providers to give boost to the export of Ayush products and services; facilitates the International promotion, development and recognition of Ayush systems of medicine; foster interaction of stakeholders and market development of Ayush at international level; promote academics and research through the establishment of Ayush Academic Chairs in foreign countries and holding training workshop/symposiums for promoting and strengthening awareness and interest about Ayush Systems of Medicine at international level.

The details regarding the export of Ayush products and services and MoUs signed by Ministry of Ayush, Govt. of India during 2025-26 with foreign countries for promoting traditional systems of medicine is enclosed at Annexure-I.

(c) Ministry of Ayush has undertaken several initiatives to promote the integration of Ayush systems with the modern healthcare system in the country. These include:

National Level:

i) Establishment of Ayush Vertical under DGHS (2023): An Ayush Vertical has been established under the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) through collaboration between the Ministry of Ayush and the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoH&FW). It serves as a dedicated institutional mechanism for planning, monitoring and supervising Ayush public health programmes and provides technical support for integration of Ayush into healthcare services, public health programmes, medical education and capacity building. The Ayush Vertical has developed evidence-informed Standard Treatment Guidelines to facilitate clinical integration. STGs for six common musculoskeletal disorders (2024) and five common metabolic disorders (2025) have been published. National Master Trainer programmes have also been conducted in collaboration with the Central Health Education Bureau, followed by cascading training across States and Union Territories.

ii) 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. 6302 PHCs, 3191 CHCs and 475 DHs have been co-located across the country as per the NHM-Medical Information System (MIS) database as on 31.12.2025.

iii) Integrated Ayush Departments have been established at Vardhman Mahavir Medical College (VMVC) & Safdarjung Hospital (2022) and Lady Hardinge Medical College (2023), New Delhi. These departments provide preventive, promotive and therapeutic healthcare services, including Panchakarma. Ayush Research Councils are also providing extended Ayush

OPD services at VMMC & Safdarjung Hospital, Lady Hardinge Medical College and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi.

iv) Details of initiatives taken by the Research Councils and National Institutes under the Ministry of Ayush for integration of Ayush with the modern healthcare system are given as Annexure-II.

v) Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) for Ayush Healthcare Facilities (2024): IPHS for Ayushman Arogya Mandirs and Ayush hospitals have been developed to standardize infrastructure, human resources, medicines and quality of service delivery, thereby strengthening the integration of Ayush services within the public healthcare system.

vi) Public Health Advisories: The Ministry has issued Ayush public health advisories on Heat Wave (2024) and Monkey Pox (2024) in coordination with the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), supporting the integration of Ayush in national public health preparedness and response.

International level:

Ministry of Ayush, in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO), has undertaken several initiatives to facilitate the integration of traditional medicine into modern healthcare systems at the international level. These include:

(i) Launch of the ICD-11 Traditional Medicine Module 2 by WHO in New Delhi on 10 January 2024, enabling the inclusion of morbidity codes for Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11), thereby facilitating standardized documentation and reporting of traditional medicine in health information systems.

(ii) Publication by WHO of the Development of WHO Terminologies on Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha, providing globally harmonized terminology to support clinical practice, education, research and policy.

(iii) Publication by WHO of the Benchmark Documents for Training and Practice of Ayurveda and Unani (2022) to promote standardized education, training and quality-assured clinical practice in line with international standards.

(iv) WHO Technical Report on Training in Yoga, jointly developed by WHO and the Ministry of Ayush, establishes international standards for yoga training, enhancing the quality, credibility, and global integration of yoga into healthcare.

(v) Establishment of the WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre (GTMC) in Jamnagar, Gujarat, as a global knowledge hub to strengthen evidence generation, research, innovation and the integration of traditional medicine into national health systems.

(vi) Bilateral cooperation through Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with various countries for collaboration in traditional medicine, covering areas such as education, research, regulation, quality assurance and integrative healthcare.

(vii) Promotion of international dialogue on integrative healthcare through global conferences, ministerial meetings and WHO-led initiatives, including the two WHO Global Summit on Traditional Medicine held in India in 2023 & 2025, which emphasized evidence-based integration of traditional medicine within universal health coverage and primary healthcare.

(viii) Facilitation of academic collaboration through Ayush Chairs and institutional partnerships with foreign universities and research organizations, promoting education, research and clinical exchange in integrative medicine.

Annexure-I

A. The exports of Ayush and herbal products in last financial year i.e. 2025-26 is mentioned below.

Year	Value in USD (million)
2025-26	638.72

Source: Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCIS)

B. Country level MoUs signed during 2025-26:

Sr No.	Title	Signing date	Country name
1.	MoU between the Government of the Republic of India and the Republic of Angola on cooperation in the Field of Ayurveda and other Traditional Systems of Medicine.	02/05/2025	Angola
2.	MoU between the Ministry of Ayush of the Government of the Republic of India and the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan on cooperation in the Field of Ayurveda and other Traditional Systems of Medicine.	04/11/2025	Kazakhstan
3.	MoU between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania on Cooperation in the Field of Traditional System of Medicine and Indian Ayurveda.	19/12/2025	Tanzania

B. Institute level MoUs signed during 2025-26

Sr No.	Title	Signing date	Country name
1.	MoU between Institute of Teaching & Research in Ayurveda (ITRA), Ministry of Ayush, Government of the Republic of India and institute of Traditional and Alternative Medicine, PMB 31, Ho, Ghana.	02/07/2025	Ghana
2.	MoU between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Goa, Ministry of Ayush, Government of the Republic of India and University of the Free State on the Establishment of an Academic collaboration in Traditional Medicine.	12/08/2025	South Africa
3.	MoU between MDNIY and Mongolia yoga federation	03/10/2025	Mongolia
4.	MoU Between Morarji Desai National Institute Yoga An Autonomous organization under the Ministry of Ayush Republic of India (Hereinafter referred to as First Party) Association Reunionnaise des Relations et	13/01/2026	Island

	Creations Culturelles, Reunion Island (Hereinafter referred to as Second Party) Establishing Cooperation & Collaboration In the Field Of Yoga		
5.	MoU between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Ministry of Ayush, Government of the Republic of India and Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin on Academic and Research collaboration in Ayurveda.	01/06/2026	Germany
6.	MoU between Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and University of Cyberjaya Malaysia on Collaboration in the field of Homeopathy.	21/10/2025	Malaysia
7.	MoU Between Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) and Mongolian Yoga Federation (MYF)	03.10.2025	Mongolia

C. Agreements signed during 2025-26

Sr No.	Title	Signing date	Country name
1.	Agreement between the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India for the Development of Traditional Medicine intervention categories and index for the International Classification of Health Interventions (ICHI) with a holistic approach and with a focus on TM system of Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani	24/05/2025	WHO
2.	Agreement between The Government of Republic of India and The World Health Organization Concerning The Global Summit on Traditional Medicine	25/09/ 2025	WHO

D. Chair MoU signed during 2025-26

Sr No	Title	Signing date	Country Name
1.	MoU between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Ministry of Ayush, the Government of the Republic of India and National University of Science and Technology Oman on the Establishment of an “Academic chair” in Ayurveda.	17/12/2025	Oman

Annexure-II**Details of initiatives taken by the Ministry of Ayush through its Research councils and National Institutes**

S. No.	Research councils/ National Institutes	Details of initiatives Institute
1.	Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS)	CCRAS has undertaken research studies such as operational study to explore the feasibility of integrating Ayurveda with modern system of medicine in a tertiary care hospital (Safdarjung Hospital New Delhi) for the management of Osteoarthritis (Knee), Feasibility of introducing the Indian System of Medicine (Ayurveda) in the National Reproductive and Child Health services at the Primary Health Care (PHC) level in Himachal Pradesh and Integration of Ayush systems in the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS) and Feasibility of introducing Ayurveda Intervention in Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) in PHCs of the Selected district (Gadchiroli) of Maharashtra (Effectiveness of Ayurvedic intervention for Ante-Natal care (Garbhini Paricharya) at Primary Health Care level A Multi Centre Operational Study). Further, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and CCRAS has taken and initiative to set up Ayush-ICMR Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research (AI-ACIHR), at AIIMS to conduct research on identified areas focusing on integrative healthcare under Extra Mural research Scheme of ICMR.
2.	Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM)	Council has established four re-location centers at Dr. RML Hospital, Dr. DDU Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi and J.J. Hospital at Mumbai. Research protocols are developed and finalized in consultation with multidisciplinary experts, following ICMR, AYUSH, and GCP guidelines. These protocols are reviewed by the respective research sub-committees and the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC). Ethical aspects are overseen by the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC), and regular onsite monitoring is carried out by IMRAC. Collaborative projects with modern academic/ research Institutions have also been under taken by the Council to integrate and promote Unani Medicine. Besides the Council has signed 43 MoUs with Academic / Research Institutes of the country e.g. National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, (NIPER)

		Hyderabad, ICMR-NIN (National Institute of Nutrition), Hyderabad, Anna University, Chennai, ICMR-National Institute of Traditional Medicine (NITM), Belgavi, CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Hyderabad, CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT), Hyderabad etc.
3.	Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH)	CCRH is working towards integration of Homoeopathy with mainstream healthcare by undertaking research in collaboration and cooperation in the field of integrative medicine. The Council has co-location of homoeopathy treatment centre in allopathic hospital for providing treatment on various clinical conditions at Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi, Lady Hardinge Medical College & Hospital, New Delhi, Delhi Cantonment General Hospital, New Delhi, Clinical trial Unit, at BRD Medical College and Hospital, Gorakhpur, U.P, Civil Hospital, Aizwal, Mizoram and District hospital, Dimapur, Nagaland. The Council has also taken initiative to link Homoeopathy along with mainstream healthcare set-up by undertaking various Public Health programmes such as the Integration of NPCDCS Programme for Homoeopathy, Swasthya Rakshan program (SRP), the Programme 'Homoeopathy for Healthy teething', a component of 'Homoeopathy for healthy child and Schedule Caste (SC) Component plan'.
4.	Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS)	CCRS has taken initiatives for integrating Siddha practices with the modern healthcare system by encouraging scientific research and clinical trials to validate the efficacy and safety of Ayush treatments along with modern treatments. Integrated Siddha cancer OPD has been functioning at All India Institute of Ayurveda campus and Siddha cancer OPD at Safdarjung hospital aiding the Palliative care of cancer patients through Siddha system through Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Safdarjung, New Delhi under CCRS. CCRS has signed MoU with AIIMS Rishikesh for initiating collaborative research activities for Cancer Management, Reproductive & Childcare and Regenerative Medicine.
5.	Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN)	CCRYN is a part of the ICMR Task Force on Multi-centric Study project on Heart Failure across the country.
6.	All India Institute of Ayurveda (AllA)	AllA, New Delhi, integrative medical services are available under Centre for Integrative Ayush Therapy (Unani, Siddha & Homeopathy), Centre for Integrative Cancer Therapy,

		Centre for Integrative Dentistry, Centre for Integrative Critical Care & Emergency Medicine, Centre for Integrative Orthopedics, Centre for Integrative Dietetics and Nutrition and Causality OPD Section. Integrated services are also provided through Satellite Clinical Services Units established at Integrative Medical Services Unit at Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi, Integrative Medical Services Unit AIIMS Jhajjar and Centre for Integrative Oncology at National Cancer Institute - AIIMS, Jhajjar. Further, a Centre for Integrative Oncology (CIO) has been established at AIIA, New Delhi as a joint venture of AIIA and Indian Council of Medical Research National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research (NICPR-ICMR). Ayush Journal of Integrative Oncology (AJIO) is being published from Centre for Integrative Oncology (CIO) at AIIA. This Institute also has an International Collaborative Centre for global promotion and research in Ayurveda.
7.	National Institute of Siddha (NIS)	To promote integrated research in the Siddha system of medicine and provide Siddha treatment to the patients visiting Chettinad Hospital and Research Institute (CHRI), NIS inaugurated an upgraded Siddha specialty OPD at Kelambakkam jointly with Chettinad Academy of Research Education (CARE). NIS has been conducting a Specialty Integrative Traditional Siddha Medicine OPD (SISMO) at Centre for Integrative Medicine Research, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal, Karnataka. Further, NIS started a Siddha Integrated Cancer Care Centre (S-IC Care Centre) to provide integrated treatment to cancer patients.
8.	Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY)	MDNIY is a WHO Collaborating Centre for Medicine (Yoga) Traditional for 4 th consecutive terms from 2013. MDNIY is running 4 Yoga Centres at Govt. Modern Medicine Hospital in Delhi and Preventive Health Care Unit of Yoga in 20 CGHS Wellness Centres in Delhi NCR.
9.	Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA)	Two Joint Ph.D. Degree program between Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (AcSIR) -CSIR-National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (CSIR-NIIST), Trivendrum and Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA).