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Expansion of Ayush education and research facilities in Maharashtra

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

- (a) the details of Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy colleges functioning in Maharashtra with Central support;
- (b) whether Government proposes to establish new AYUSH research institutes, hospitals or Centres of Excellence (CoE) in the State;
- (c) the measures taken to promote evidence-based research and innovation in traditional medicine; and
- (d) the details of financial assistance provided for such initiatives during the last three years?

ANSWER

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

a) In the State of Maharashtra, the National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), Pune, an autonomous institute under the Ministry of Ayush, is a Centrally supported institution in the State. Further, the National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), Pune has been established "Nisarg Gram", an extension campus at Yewalewadi, Taluka Haveli, Pune, Maharashtra. The campus is spread over 25 acres and has been developed with facilities including a 250-bedded Naturopathy Hospital, Medical College, Research Wing, and Living Gandhi Memorial, providing infrastructure for education, patient care, and clinical research. NIN obtained affiliation with Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi, in June 2026 to commence the 5½-year Bachelor of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences (B.N.Y.S.) degree programme at Nisarg Gram, Yewalewadi, Pune.

b) Public health being a State subject, establishment of Ayush hospitals comes under the purview of respective State/UT Government. However, under National Ayush Mission (NAM), as per the proposals received from States/UTs through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs), 228 units of Integrated Ayush Hospitals (IAHs) have been supported for establishment in

different parts of the country including 14 IAHs in Maharashtra. The details of 14 IAHs in state of Maharashtra is furnished at **Annexure-I**.

Currently, there is no proposal under consideration in the Ministry for establishment of a new AYUSH Research Institute in the State of Maharashtra. Further, under the Central Sector Scheme namely, Ayurswasthya, the Ministry has supported Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU), Pune and Tata Memorial Centre (TMC), Mumbai as Centres of Excellence (CoEs) for undertaking research activities in Ayush.

c) & (d) The details of measures taken to promote evidence-based research and innovation in traditional medicine and financial assistance provided during the last three years are attached herewith as **Annexure- II and Annexure- III**.

Integrated Ayush Hospitals in State of Maharashtra under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, National Ayush Mission			
Sl. No.	Year of approval	Location	Category of Hospital
1	2017-18	Ahmednagar	30 Bedded
2	2017-18	Nandurbar	30 Bedded
3	2017-18	Pune	30 Bedded
4	2017-18	Sindhudurg	30 Bedded
5	2023-24	Jalgaon	30 Bedded
6	2023-24	Jalna	50 Bedded
7	2023-24	Thane	50 Bedded
8	2023-24	Nagpur	50 Bedded
9	2023-24	Osmanabad (Dharashiv)	50 Bedded
10	2024-25	Gondia	50 Bedded
11	2024-25	Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar	50 Bedded
12	2024-25	Buldhana	50 Bedded
13	2024-25	Gadchiroli	30 Bedded
14	2024-25	Wardha	30 Bedded

The detail of measures taken to promote evidence-based research and innovation in traditional medicine

(1) **Promotion of Research through Autonomous Research Councils:** The Ministry supports scientific research through its five autonomous Research Councils, namely the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) and Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH). These Councils undertake fundamental, drug standardization, pre-clinical, clinical, literary and public health research to generate scientific evidence on Ayush interventions.

(2) **AYUSH Research Portal:** AYUSH Research Portal has been developed, it is a comprehensive digital repository of evidence-based research covering Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy. The portal provides access to over 43,000 curated research studies and articles, including published clinical, pre-clinical, drug and fundamental research to researchers, practitioners, academicians and policymakers.

(3) **Support for Research and Innovation:** Ministry of Ayush implements a Central Sector Scheme namely Ayurgyan Scheme. The scheme has three components viz. (i) Capacity Building & Continuing Medical Education (CME) in Ayush (ii) Research & Innovation (R & I) in Ayush and (iii) Ayurveda Biology Integrated Health Research (ABIHR).

(4) **Promotion of Student Research:** Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) implements several capacity-building initiatives for research in Ayurveda, such as Studentship Program for Ayurveda Research Ken (SPARK) for undergraduate students and Scheme for Training in Ayurveda Research for Post Graduate Scholars (PG STAR) for postgraduate students. In addition, fellowship programs, including PhD and Post-Doctoral Fellowships (PDF) are coordinated to provide sustained support for advanced research. The Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM) has initiated the Studentship Program for Unani Research (SPUR) in order to promote interest and aptitude for research among Unani undergraduates. The main objective of this program is to provide an opportunity to undergraduate Unani students to familiarize themselves with research methodology and techniques by being associated for a short duration with their seniors on ongoing research program or by undertaking independent projects.

(5) **Research through ITRA, AIIA and National Institutes:** The Ministry also promotes research through the Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA), the first Institute of National Importance in the Ayush sector; the All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) in New Delhi and its satellite campus in Goa; as well as the National Institutes of Ayurveda, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Homoeopathy, and Sowa-Rigpa.

Annexure- III**Details of Budget Estimate (BE), Revised Estimate (RE) and Actual Expenditure (AE) from 2023-24 to 2025-26**

(Rs.in Crore)

Sl. No	Schemes/ Programmes	2023-24			2024-25			2025-26		
		BE	RE	AE	BE	RE	AE	BE	RE	AE (Prov.)
1	Institute of Teaching & Research in Ayurveda	150.13	155.00	145.00	144.05	134.55	130.05	165.20	279.24	287.24
2	Grant to Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences	379.50	394.95	394.89	413.54	441.73	469.72	457.20	518.85	526.34
3	Grant to Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine	173.30	174.10	174.10	228.05	197.05	190.05	214.50	199.00	199.00
4	Grant to Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy	145.00	146.00	140.25	144.00	150.50	162.00	165.00	214.00	214.00
5	All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi	235.15	279.38	280.18	227.20	242.20	243.20	251.20	306.20	243.40
6	Grant to Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy	103.57	59.36	43.04	100.45	97.40	41.78	105.45	46.95	41.60
7	Grant for Central Councils for Research in Siddha	51.36	50.91	50.91	50.58	55.94	55.94	67.40	71.34	71.34
8	Ayurgyan	9.00	15.00	14.99	49.50	27.00	25.70	50.00	37.81	37.67