

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA
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STATUS OF AYUSH HEALTH CENTRES IN PUNJAB

1768. SHRI SANT BALBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of the rural and urban AYUSH health centres in State of Punjab that have been integrated with digital and smart monitoring systems under the National AYUSH Mission (NAM);
- (b) whether Government has prepared any special action plan for capacity building and training Programmes for AYUSH practitioners and health workers in the State of Punjab region, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government in collaboration with the State Governments is implementing projects in State of Punjab for the conservation, cultivation and development of traditional medicinal plants and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) & (b) Public Health being a State Subject, the primary responsibility to integrate Ayush health centres of Punjab with digital and smart monitoring systems under the National Ayush Mission (NAM) and preparing special action plan for capacity building and training Programmes for Ayush practitioners and health workers of Punjab, lies with respective State Government. However, there are provisions for training and capacity building for teaching staffs, Medical Officers and other paramedical staffs working in the educational institution and Ayush Hospitals/ Dispensaries, under flexipool component of the NAM guideline. To avail the financial assistance suitable proposals are required to be submitted through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs), as per the provisions of the NAM guideline.

Further, 'Capacity Building & Continuing Medical Education (CME) in Ayush' is one of the component of Central Sector Scheme namely Ayurgyan which is implemented by Ministry of Ayush since 2021-22. The overall objective of the CME component is to encourage Ayush personnel to undergo need-based professional training and bridge the knowledge gaps. Being the Central Sector Scheme, financial assistance is provided to the

eligible organizations/institutions across the country (including the State of Punjab), and the scheme does not have provision for extending financial assistance on a State/UT wise basis.

As per the data available on Ayush Hospital Management Information System (A-HMIS) platform under Ayush Grid project of the Ministry of Ayush, in total 479 Ayush Health facilities of Punjab are integrated under Health Facility Registration (HFR) system. Further, as reported by State Government of Punjab, the details of the capacity building and training Programmes conducted for Ayush practitioners and health workers in the State of Punjab under NAM are enclosed as Annexure.

(c) Presently, there is no scheme in National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) for cultivation of Medicinal Plants. The NMPB, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, is implementing “Central Sector Scheme on Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants” throughout the Country. Under the scheme, financial assistance is provided for Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities, including training, workshops, seminars and conferences; in-situ and ex-situ conservation of medicinal plants; livelihood linkages with Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs)/Panchayats/Van Panchayats/Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) and Self-Help Groups (SHGs); Research & Development; promotion, marketing and trade of medicinal plant produce; and development of forward and backward linkages in the medicinal plant supply chain under the integrated component. Under the scheme, 09 number of projects has been supported to State Forest Department of Punjab for supporting Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs)/Panchayats/Van Panchayats/Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) etc. for value addition like drying, primary processing, storage and livelihood generation and forest fringe communities.

The details of the capacity building and training Programmes conducted for Ayush practitioners and health workers in the State of Punjab under NAM:

Year	Trainings details	No. of officers Trained	Topics Covered
2024-25	One Day Capacity building training of Ayurvedic Medical Officers (Regular+NHM)	525	Agnikarma and Marma Chikitsa
	One Day Capacity building training of Homeopathy Medical Officers (Regular+NHM)	134	Mother and child care
	Refresh training of Physician working at 158 AA K Centres	158	Regarding Homeopathy and Ayurvedic Diseases and NABH certification
	One Day Capacity building training of District Ayurvedic and Unani Officers, District Homeopathic Officers and Senior Ayurvedic Physician	61	On various provision of Drug Cosmetic Act, 1940 and Rules 1945 & Punjab Civil Services Rules
2025-26	One Day Capacity building training of Ayurvedic Medical Officers (Regular+NHM)	525	Training on Kashar sutra
	One Day Capacity building training of Homeopathy Medical Officers (Regular+NHM)	134	Training on Geriatric Problems
	Refresh training of Physician working at 158 AAK Centres	158	Training on Nadi Prikshan, Registration, NABH certification and other related issues
	One Day Capacity building training of District Ayurvedic and Unani Officers, District Homeopathic Officers and Senior Ayurvedic Physician	61	On various provision of DMR Act 1954 & Rules 1955, Cosmetic Act 1940 Rules 1945, GMP schedule T section of Drug cosmetics act, Sampling Report, Invest Punjab Business first/fast track Punjab Portal for applying licenses/ lo an licenses