

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.505
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 2016**

TIBETAN MEDICINE SYSTEM

505. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the Tibetan Medicine System being practised in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include/conservate the said traditional practice under AYUSH system of medicines?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) to (c) : Yes. This system is known as Sowa Rigpa (Amchi). The System of Sowa Rigpa is practiced in many parts of India, including Ladakh (Jammu & Kashmir); Sikkim; Darjeeling, Kalimpong (West Bengal); Mon Tawang and West Kameng regions of Arunachal Pradesh; Lahaul, Spiti, Kangra and Kinnaur regions of Himachal Pradesh. Sowa Rigpa has been recognised by Government of India by amending the Indian Medicine Central Council (IMCC) Act, 2010. The Government has approved the establishment of National Institute of Sowa Rigpa at Leh (Jammu & Kashmir) in this regard.
