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

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.657 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016

#### PROMOTION OF AYUSH SYSTEM

657. SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE: SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB: SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:

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

- (a) the number of Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs)/ Agreements signed by the Government to promote AYUSH system of medicine with other countries during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (b) the areas of cooperation/ challenges in such MoUs/ Agreements along with the achievements made so far, country-wise;
- (c) the extent to which the Government has achieved the goal of promoting and propagating AYUSH system of medicine abroad;
- (d) the details of the funds spent on Research and Development by India and the respective country during the said period, country-wise; and
- (e) the other efforts taken/ being taken by the Government for seeking international cooperation in the field of health sector under AYUSH system of medicine?

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

(a) to (c) A statement indicating country-wise details of the Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs)/ Agreements signed is at Annexure. Under the MoUs, each party endeavours to take steps for regulating teaching, practice, drugs and drugless therapies of traditional systems of medicine; exchange experts for training of practitioners, paramedics, scientists, etc. The signing of MoUs has resulted in setting up AYUSH Academic Chairs; exchange of experts to learn each other's systems, etc. Indian Pharmacopoeia has been adopted by the Govt. of Malaysia as a reference book.

The steps initiated by the Ministry has generated keen interest in AYUSH systems across the world, as is evident from the number of MoUs signed during the last few years.

- (d): Ministry of AYUSH has spent Rs. 279.32 Crore; Rs. 188.97 Crore; Rs. 286.38 Crore and Rs. 190.99 Crore during the years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (till 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. 2016) respectively. The information pertaining to other countries is not available.
- (e): To promote and propagate AYUSH systems across the world, AYUSH Information Cells are set up in the premises of the Indian Missions/ICCR Cultural Centres for dissemination of authentic information. As of now, 23 AYUSH Information Cells have been set up in 21 Countries. The Ministry also organizes/ participates in International exhibitions/ conferences/ workshops/ seminars/ road shows/ trade fairs, etc. to have wider reach for international propagation of AYUSH. Incentives are also being provided to AYUSH drug manufacturers/ entrepreneurs/ AYUSH institutions, etc. (a) for participating in International exhibitions/ conferences/ workshops/ seminars/ road shows/ trade fairs, etc. for generating awareness amongst the participating public about the Indian Medicine and; (b) for registration of AYUSH products with regulatory agencies of different countries to enhance export of the products.

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# **ANNEXURE**

Country-wise details of the Memoranda of Understanding/ Agreements signed by the Ministry of AYUSH during the last three years, and the current year:

Year	Name of the Country	MoU/ Agreement/LoI signed			Total
		Country to Country Cooperation	Setting up of AYUSH Academic Chair	Research Collaboration	
2013	Hungary	$\checkmark$	$\sqrt{}$		02 (Two)
	China	$\checkmark$			01 (One)
2014	Nepal	$\checkmark$			01 (One)
	Bangladesh	√			01 (One)
2015	Mauritius	√			01 (One)
	Mongolia	$\sqrt{}$			01 (One)
	Turkmenistan	$\sqrt{}$	√ *		02 (Two)
	USA				01 (One)
	Thailand		$\sqrt{}$		01 (One)
	Indonesia		$\sqrt{}$		01 (One)
	Russia		$\sqrt{}$		01 (One)
	London			√	01 (One)
	France			√	01 (One)
2016 (till	Myanmar				01 (One)
31st Oct. '16)					
	Slovenia				01 (One)
	Armenia		$\sqrt{}$		01 (One)
	Canada				01 (One)
	WHO, Geneva			$\checkmark$	01 (One)
	USA			$\checkmark$	01 (One)
	Argentina				01 (One)
	Latvia		$\sqrt{}$		01 (One)

<sup>\*</sup> For providing services of experts