

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2678
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH MARCH, 2017**

EXTRA MURAL RESEARCH SCHEME

2678. SHRI GEORGE BAKER:

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

- (a) the present status of the Extra Mural Research Scheme along with its features;
- (b) the details of funds, allocated, sanctioned and utilised under this scheme since its inception, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the details of target fixed and achievements made in this regard during the said period;
- (d) the number of young scholars of AYUSH sectors encouraged across the country and new drugs developed under this scheme during the said period, State/ UT-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government is satisfied with the achievements made under this scheme, if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a): The Extra Mural Research Scheme under Ministry of AYUSH provides grant to Public/Private research organization which are competent to undertake project in the field Ayurveda, Yoga & Natoturopathy, Unani Siddha and Homoeopathy. The grants-in-aid are provided to the Research Organization directly and not to state/UT governments. The scheme was formulated in the year 1999 and has been lately amended in November, 2014.

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(b): The Stream-wise details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under the scheme since its inception in 1999 are as below:-

Stream	(In Rs.)		
	Sanctioned (In Rs.)	Allocated	Utilized
Ayurveda	14,47,60,055/-	11,20,16,018/-	9,24,08,684/-
Yoga & Naturopathy	---	4,77,43,000/-	4,77,43,000/-
Unani	15,74,60,258/-	11,43,93,851/-	7,99,81,777/-
Siddha	2,77,17,629/-	1,37,34,014/-	36,91,584/-
Homoeopathy	10,94,56,197/-	7,74,23,003/-	6,64,47,593/-

(c): There are no specific targets fixed for the scheme. However, the achievement are as follows:-

The total No. of the project funded under this scheme is 211, out of which a total of 141 projects have been completed. A total of 161 papers have been published in the peer reviewed journals. Further, 13 patents have been filed as a sequel to the research work undertaken under the EMR scheme in the Ayurveda and Unani stream. So far, 10 homoeopathic drugs have been validated under this scheme.

(d): The EMR scheme provides for engagement of 1-2 Research Fellows for the specific duration of each project. However, the number of scholars encouraged across the country through this scheme have not been assessed.

(e): Yes. The EMR scheme has grown in popularity among the scientific community of the country. During last two years, 400 projects (approx.) have been received in the Ministry of AYUSH. After amendment of the scheme in November, 2014, the total grant during the 2015-16 raised from Rs. 1.80 Crore to Rs. 5.82 Crore. The scheme has attracted the best scientists from reputed organizations, viz. All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) etc.

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