

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2727
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH MARCH, 2017**

RESEARCH WORK ON YOGA

**2727. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:
SHRI MANSHANKAR NINAMA:
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Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of research institutions, educational institutions, health centres and other institutions of the country where research work on Yoga is being conducted at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated by the Government under the said head;
- (c) whether the Government is implementing any programme for promotion of Yoga through Indian Embassies located abroad;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other action taken/being taken by the Government for promotion of Yoga worldwide?

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

(a) The Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN) is an autonomous organization under Ministry of AYUSH for conducting research and development in the field of Yoga & Naturopathy. A total of 15 projects are being conducted by the Ministry of AYUSH through CCRYN under Extra Mural Research Scheme. The Scheme provides for grant directly to the Research institutes/organization. The no. of the research institutions, State/UT wise conducting Research under EMR Scheme are as below: -

Delhi-06
Karnataka-05
Maharashtra-01
Punjab-01
Telangana-01
Uttar Pradesh-01

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In addition to above, the Indian council of Medical Research (ICMR) has supported a research project which is conducted at Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samasthana, (SVYASA), Bangalore.

(b): The Funds allocated under EMR Scheme for projects including Yoga during 2016-17 is Rs.4.10 crore.

An amount of Rs 12,92,746/- has been released for two years to Health Centre Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samasthana, (SVYASA), Bangalore by the ICMR.

(c) & (d): The Ministry of AYUSH had in collaboration with Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) deputed Yoga teachers to Indian Missions for a period of 7 days by revising International Cooperation (IC) Scheme to train Yoga enthusiasts for their participation in the Mass Yoga Demonstration organized by various Indian Missions abroad to celebrate the first International Day of Yoga. Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) under auspices of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) deputed Yoga teachers to Indian Missions for imparting training to local students and teachers. MEA also provides publicity material including videos, documentaries, coffee table books, instructional manuals on the different aspects of yoga and yogic practices to Indian Missions for display and distribution. MEA also has been building partnerships with local organisations like Art of Living Global Centre, Gayatri Parivar, Isha Foundation Global, Iyengar Yoga Foundation, etc. that have been instrumental in spreading knowledge about yoga in different parts of the world.

(e): Under Central Sector Scheme of International Cooperation (IC), the Ministry of AYUSH undertakes various measures for global promotion and popularization of AYUSH systems of Medicine including Yoga. The Ministry deputed Yoga experts to participate in fairs/ workshops organized by the Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Commerce, etc. and Indian Missions abroad for Yoga demonstration and lectures. The Ministry sets up AYUSH Information Cells in the premises of the Indian Missions/ICCR Cultural Centres for dissemination of authentic information. As of now, 26 AYUSH Information Cells have been set up in 24 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 including Yoga.

To ensure credibility of knowledge and skills of yoga experts, the Ministry of AYUSH has initiated a scheme for Voluntary Certification of Yoga Professionals developed by the Quality Council of India (QCI). The scheme aims at promoting authentic Yoga as a preventive, rehabilitative and health promotive drugless therapy; and certifying the competence level of the Yoga professionals to help their deployment within and outside the country.

A Yoga college named “India-China College of Yoga” has been established in the Yunnan Minzu University, China under the MoU signed between the University and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR). Ministry of AYUSH has deputed one out of two experts.

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