

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2358  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**AYUSH CLINICS**

**2358. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to set up stand alone AYUSH clinics alongside other departments of medicine within hospitals and promote a system of “inclusion” that enables patients to choose alternative treatments;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of such clinics established, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is facing several barriers to the integration of AYUSH with modern healthcare systems; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures 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) to (c): Public health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to provide health care services lies with the respective State/UT Governments. However, under the National Health Mission (NHM), technical and financial support is provided to States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare systems, including for mainstreaming of AYUSH through co-located facilities and availing the services of AYUSH practitioners on contractual basis based on the requirements posed by the States/UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs) within their overall resource envelope. The support for AYUSH infrastructure, equipment / furniture and medicines are provided by Ministry of AYUSH under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM). As per Management Information System (MIS) Reports of NHM as on 30.09.2017, 7962 PHCs, 2732 CHCs and 472 DHs have been co-located with AYUSH systems.

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(d) & (e): The National Policy on Indian Systems of Medicine & Homoeopathy - 2002, envisages integration of AYUSH systems of medicine with the Healthcare Delivery System. Mainstreaming of AYUSH is one of the strategies in National Health Mission (NHM) which seeks to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care in order to improve the existing health care delivery system. Further, National Health Policy 2017 also envisages mainstreaming of AYUSH into health care delivery. Under National AYUSH Mission, various activities like promotion of quality AYUSH Education for producing qualified AYUSH practitioners, opening of integrated AYUSH Hospitals in different Districts of the Country strengthening of quality control of AYUSH drugs and promoting cultivation of medicinal herbs are being supported and encouraged through respective States/UTs.

The successful mainstreaming of AYUSH depends upon the commitment of respective State/UT Governments.

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