

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2388
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH MARCH, 2018**

YOGA CLASSES

2388. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to take any concrete steps in the coming days to make yoga classes being run by State and Central Universities more effective;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any plan to open more yoga centres in Madhya Pradesh in addition to State and Central Universities; and
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a) to (c) Yoga related activities in State and Central Universities does not fall under the mandate of the Ministry of AYUSH.

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However, as per the information received from University Grant Commission (UGC), Ministry of HRD, it has sanctioned full-fledged Yoga department and courses in the following Six Central Universities: -

Sl. No.	Name of the University	Course Approved by UGC
1.	Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University	B.Sc. (Yogic Science) and Ph.D. (Yogic Science)
2.	Visva Bharati, Shantiniketan	B.Sc. (Yogic Science) and M.Sc. (Yogic Science)
3.	Central University of Rajasthan	M.Sc. (Yoga Therapy) and Certificate/Diploma in Yoga
4.	Central University of Kerala	Diploma in Yoga, M.A. (Yoga Therapy) and Ph.D. (Yoga)
5.	Indira Gandhi National Tribal University	B.Sc. (Yogic Science) and Certificate/Diploma in Yoga
6.	Manipur University	B.Sc. (Yogic Science) and Certificate/Diploma in Yoga

UGC has already sanctioned Yoga Department in Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, which is situated in Madhya Pradesh.

Also, the State Universities do not receive maintenance grants from the UGC and therefore, they do not require any approval of the UGC to start any new programmes including Yoga.

Further, the Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN) has recently opened 01 Out Patient Department (OPD) in Govt. Homeopathic Medical College & Hospital, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
