

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3985  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2018**

**SERVICES OF AYUSH DOCTORS**

**3985. SHRI PREM DAS RAI:**

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the services of AYUSH doctors are being utilized for Family Planning Services in the country;
- (b) if so, the details and motives thereof indicating the number of doctors engaged and required for the purpose; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND  
FAMILY WELFARE  
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)**

- (a): Yes; the services of AYUSH doctors (except Yoga and Naturopathy) are being utilized for Family Planning services in the country.
- (b): AYUSH Doctors (except Yoga and Naturopathy providers) have been trained to provide Family Planning counseling, Interval IUCD insertion, Post-partum IUCD, Injectable contraceptive, Chhaya (Centchroman) and Condoms.

This has been done with the aim of expanding the provider base and increasing acceptability and continuation rates leading to client satisfaction.

As public health is a state subject, details of the number of doctors engaged and required for the purpose is maintained by respective State Governments.

- (c): Does not arise.

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