

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4055
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH AUGUST, 2018**

SHORTAGE OF AYUSH DOCTORS

**4055. DR. RAVINDRA KUMAR RAY:
SHRI PASHUPATI NATH SINGH:**

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

- (a) the steps being taken/likely to be taken by the Government to meet the shortage of doctors and other staff in AYUSH medical system;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up AYUSH centres in semiurban and rural areas of the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the number of AYUSH centres proposed to be set up in Jharkhand in this financial year, location-wise?

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

(a): As Public Health is a State subject, the primary responsibility to appoint doctors and other staff in AYUSH medical system lies with respective State/UT Governments, However, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM), the components for setting up of 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospitals and upgradation of stand-alone AYUSH Hospitals inter-alia provides for contractual deployment of AYUSH doctors in the Government hospitals under States/UT Governments. In this regard, the State/UT Governments are required to submit their proposal through the State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) as per the guidelines of the scheme. In addition, under National Health Mission, technical and financial support is provided to the States/UTs for strengthening their healthcare systems, engaging of AYUSH doctors and paramedical staff on contractual basis at co-located health facilities based on their requirement posed by the States/UTs in their Programme Implementation Plans (PIPs).

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(b) to (d): Public Health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to provide health care services lies with the respective State/UT Governments. However, the Central Government through Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM) provides financial assistance to the States/UTs for setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital in the country including semi-urban and rural areas of the country. State/UT is required to propose their requirement through State Annual Action Plan (SAAP).

Further, State Government of Jharkhand has submitted a proposal for setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital at Ranchi through State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) for the year 2018-19. However, Appraisal Committee could not consider the approval of SAAP in its meeting held on 25th April 2018 as the State Government has not furnished the status of physical & financial progress of grant-in-aid released during previous years under NAM.

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