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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1874 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2018

#### CERTIFICATION FOR YOGA PROFESSIONALS

1874. SHRI RAMDAS C. TADAS:

SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to issue certification for yoga professionals and recognition to yoga schools;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard so far;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any norms for giving certification to yoga professionals and recognition to schools in this regard; and
- (e) the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) to (c): Yes. Ministry of AYUSH launched a scheme for voluntary certification of Yoga Professionals in June 2015. The scheme was initially managed by Quality Council of India (QCI), and subsequently taken over by the Yoga Certification Board. Eligible Yoga Schools are accredited under the scheme.
- (d) & (e): Ministry of AYUSH has set up the Yoga Certification Board (YCB), a functionally autonomous body under the aegis of the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, an autonomous organization under the Ministry, for this purpose. The Yoga Certification Board (YCB) has started functioning from July 2018.