

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4112  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**TRIBAL HEALTHCARE RESEARCH PROGRAMME**

† **4112. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:**

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of action plans prepared for Rajasthan including Banswara-Dungarpur under the Tribal Healthcare Research Programme (THCRP);
- (b) whether the Government has sent any central team to study the living standard of the tribal people in Banswara-Dungarpur;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of any research programme being implemented for the use of medicinal plants in Rajasthan including Banswara-Dungarpur; and
- (e) the details of the health related programmes being implemented in the tribal areas?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH  
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

- (a) The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), an Autonomous Body under Ministry of Ayush has been executing Tribal Health Care Research programme (THCRP) in identified Tribal dominated villages in 14 States through 14 Institutes. Under this programme, the Council is creating awareness about Health, Nutrition, and Hygiene among ST community, providing Health Care Services and Incidental medical care at their doorstep, and documenting demographic trends and living standards. Local Health Traditions (LHT) and folklore practices among Tribal Population have also being documented in this programme.

In Rajasthan, the Council is providing health care services and organizing free medical camps for Tribal population under Tribal Health Care Research programme (THCRP) through 'Regional Ayurveda Research Institute'(RARI) Jaipur.

During year 2022-23 as per annual action plan for THCRP, health care services have been provided in 06 villages of Banswara district of Rajasthan viz. Ghatol, Padal Chhoti, Devda, Baman Para, Bassi Ada, Delwara Lokiya.

- (b) In the Banswara district & Dungarpur district of Rajasthan, Council has documented the demographic trends and general living conditions through Tribal Health Care Research programme (THCRP) under Tribal Sub Plan.
- (c) In Banswara district, health care services have been provided under THCRP programme by Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RARI), Jaipur in 02 villages in the year of 2015-16, in 09 villages during the year 2016-17, in 03 villages during 2018-19 & in 09 villages during the year 2022-23. In Dungarpur district, health care services have been provided in 02 villages in the year of 2015-16 & in 09 villages in the year of 2016-17. General living conditions of the tribal people have also been documented during the survey. One technical report on health related demography has also been published in year 2017 including data of Banswara & Dungarpur Districts.
- (d) Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Jaipur under CCRAS is maintaining a Guggulu Herbal Farm at Mangaliawas, Ajmer, Rajasthan. National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush, under its Central Sector Scheme (CSS) on 'Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants' provides project based financial support to carry out research activities on various aspects of medicinal plants to government as well as private universities/research institutions/organizations across the country. The on-going project entitled "Exploration and Documentation of Ethno-medicinal Practices of Rural and Tribal Population of Rajasthan" undertaken by Jyoti Vidyapeeth Women's University, Jaipur has been supported by NMPB.
- (e) For the welfare of tribes, the Council has been executing the Tribal Health Care Research programme (THCRP) under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) in identified tribal dominant villages. Through this programme, Council is creating awareness about Health, Nutrition, and Hygiene among Tribal community, providing Health Care Services, Incidental medical care and Ayurveda based lifestyle advocacy (Dinacharya, Ritucharya, Pathyaapathya etc.) for maintenance of health and prevention of diseases. Beside, this the Council is also documenting Local Health Traditions (LHT) and folk claims.

THCRP Program is being executed through 14 CCRAS institutes in 14 States including Rajasthan viz. CARI, Bhubaneswar; CARI, Bangalore; CARI, Guwahati; RARI, Gwalior; RARI, Vijayawada; RARI, Nagpur; RARI, Jaipur; RARI, Patna; RARI, Gangtok; RARI, Jammu; ALRARI, Chennai; RARI, Port Blair; RARI, Ahmadabad and RARC, Tripura.

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