### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-458 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2023

#### NATUROPATHY TREATMENT

#### **458. SHRI GUMAN SINGH DAMOR:**

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

- a. the details of diseases treated in the Naturopathy system;
- b. the steps taken by the Government to popularize the Naturopathy;
- c. the details of Naturopathy training centres, location-wise;
- d. the eligibility criteria to offer appointment to Naturopathy doctors;
- e. whether the Government proposes to set up Naturopathy centres in AYUSH hospitals in every district of the country; and
- f. if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government proposes to consider setting up such centres in future?

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

- (a): Naturopathy is used to treat a diverse range of diseases barring the conditions which require medical/ surgical emergency interventions. All the psychosomatic and lifestyle related diseases can be treated by Naturopathy.
- **(b):** Ministry of Ayush promotes Naturopathy through its two autonomous bodies namely, Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), New Delhi and National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), Pune. CCRYN is the apex body for research and development in the Yoga and Naturopathy systems. NIN, a premier institute for Naturopathy, organizes activities related to Yoga and Naturopathy. The activities and programs of CCRYN and NIN are available on the websites i.e.www.ccryn.gov.in and ninpune.ayush.gov.in respectively.

An Information Education and Communication (IEC) Scheme, has been devised by the Ministry, activities under which include steps to reach out to people to promote awareness about Ayush

systems including Naturopathy. Various activities like public events, conferences, exhibitions, camps & programs on TV, Radio, Print-media etc. are supported under the IEC Scheme.

Also, Ministry is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments for the development & promotion of different Ayush systems (including Naturopathy) in the country including rural areas and providing financial assistance to them as per the proposals received in their State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs). State/UT Governments may avail financial assistance by submitting proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per NAM guidelines.

- (c) and (d): No such data is maintained in the Ministry of Ayush. However, training has been imparted to Naturopathy doctors in the National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Ayush. Since Public Health is a State subject, the primary responsibility to formulate criteria to offer appointment to trained Naturopathy doctors is with the respective State/ UT Governments.
- (e) and (f): At present, there is no such proposal to set up Naturopathy Centres in AYUSH hospitals in every district of the country.

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