

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.- 1438  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023**

**“SETTING UP OF AYUSH MEDICAL COLLEGES AND RESEARCH CENTRES IN  
TAMIL NADU”**

**1438 # SHRI VELUSAMY P:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up AYUSH Medical colleges in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the State Government of Tamil Nadu has sent any proposal for setting up AYUSH Medical colleges and AYUSH Research Centre;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with action taken/proposed to be taken thereon;
- (d) whether the Government has demanded free land for setting up of AYUSH Medical colleges and AYUSH Research Centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

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

(a) At present, no proposal is under consideration by the Central Government to set up new AYUSH Medical Colleges in the Country.

(b) & (c) At present, no proposals have been received from the State Government of Tamil Nadu to National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) or National Commission for Homeopathy (NCH) for setting up any new AYUSH Medical college and AYUSH Research Centre.

Further, Public Health being a State subject, setting up of AYUSH Medical Colleges in the country including Tamil Nadu comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments. However, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM), there are provisions for financial assistance for establishment of new AYUSH Colleges in the States where availability of AYUSH teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector. The State/UT Governments may avail eligible financial assistance by submitting suitable proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the provisions of NAM guidelines. Under

National Ayush Mission (NAM), the State Government of Tamil Nadu has submitted the proposal for setting up AYUSH Medical College for Siddha system of medicine at Palani, Dindugul, District through SAAP during the year 2022-2023 and same has been approved.

(d) & (e) As informed by the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), New Delhi, its peripheral unit Dr. Achanta Lakshmipati Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Chennai, has requested Tamil Nadu State Government to allocate 5 Acre land free of cost at Thiruvallur District to establish an Ayurvedic Research Centre. At present, this matter is under the consideration of Land Commissioner, Government of Tamil Nadu.

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In the process of promotion and development of the Ayush sector and to streamline the education of the Indian System of Medicine & Homoeopathy (ISM & H), the Central Government has enacted the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine Act 2020 (NCISM Act 2020) and National Commission for Homoeopathy Act 2020 (NCH Act 2020). Further, the Central Government, by notification, constituted two commissions, namely the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine and the National Commission for Homoeopathy, to exercise the powers conferred upon and to perform the functions assigned to them under the NCISM Act 2020 & NCH Act 2020 respectively.

The NCISM & NCH are the regulatory authorities for medical education & institutes under the AYUSH system of medicine across the Country. These regulatory bodies ensure the availability of adequate and high-quality medical professionals of the Indian System of Medicine in all parts of the country; that promotes equitable and universal healthcare that encourages community health perspective and makes services of such medical professionals accessible and affordable to all the citizens; that promotes national health goals.

For every Academic Year, both commissions invite applications for opening new AYUSH Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) colleges/courses and scrutinize the applications as per the NCISM Act, 2020/NCH Act, 2020 and its relevant regulations made under and accordingly grant permission to open new AYUSH-UG and PG colleges/courses in the Country. Further, the commissions also maintain the educational standards of existing colleges of AYUSH-UG and PG courses by regular monitoring as per the minimum standards of undergraduate and postgraduate education regulations made under the relevant Acts. (Detailed procedure for setting up of new Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Sowa Rigpa Colleges is available at the following link: <https://ncismindia.org/pdf/regulation%2013A.pdf>. Detailed procedure for setting up of new Homoeopathic College is available at the following link: [https://nch.org.in/upload/Establishment\\_of\\_New\\_Medical\\_College\\_Regulation\\_2011.pdf](https://nch.org.in/upload/Establishment_of_New_Medical_College_Regulation_2011.pdf) [https://nch.org.in/upload/Establishment\\_of\\_New\\_Medical\\_College\\_Amendment\\_2016.p](https://nch.org.in/upload/Establishment_of_New_Medical_College_Amendment_2016.pdf) [df](#) and

<https://nch.org.in/upload/The Establishment of New Medical College Opening of New or Hig 2018.pdf> )

- a) The detail of AYUSH colleges opened in the country during the last five years is placed as **Annexure-I**.
- b) A total of 22 (Twenty-Two) AYUSH colleges opened in Gujarat during the last five years, and the details are as follows:

S.No.	Stream	No. of Ayush Colleges opened during the last five years in Gujarat.
1.	Ayurveda	11
2.	Siddha	0
3.	Unani	0
4.	Sowa Rigpa	0
5.	Homoeopathy	11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>

- c) The All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi, was established on 10.10.2015; further, its Satellite Centre was established at Goa on 11.12.2022. Furthermore, the following National Institutes under the Ministry of Ayush also imparting Quality education in Ayurvedic system of Medicine are detailed below:

- i. Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA), Jamnagar (Gujarat)
- ii. National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA), Jaipur (Rajasthan)
- iii. North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Homeopathy (NEIAH), Shillong (Meghalaya)
- iv. North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR), Pasighat (Arunachal Pradesh)
- v. Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth (RAV), New Delhi.

- d) At present, no such proposal is under consideration of the Central Government to establish the All India Institute of Ayurveda in Gujarat.