

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 262
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST JULY, 2023**

“RESEARCH IN AYUSH SECTOR”

† 262. **SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:**
SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:
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Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen the evidence based scientific research in the field of AYUSH;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the efforts being made for the same; and
- (c) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government towards strengthening the research capabilities, educational facilities and evidence based research in the country particularly in Gujarat, Jharkhand and Bihar?

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

(a) & (b) Ministry of Ayush has a mandate for coordination and promotion of research and development including assistance therefor in Ayush systems of Health Care. Ministry has five Research Councils namely Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN), Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUN) and Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) as apex bodies for the formulation, coordination, development and promotion of research on scientific lines in their respective field.

Ministry of Ayush also runs Ayurgyan Scheme (Central Sector Schemes) which has research and innovation as component of scheme. This research and innovation component (erstwhile Extra Mural Research Scheme) of Ayurgyan scheme was introduced to tap the potential of medical institutes, scientific research & development institutions, Universities and organizations for the research needs of Ayush sector, with an aim to expand the ambit of research in Ayush systems.

All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi, National Institute of Siddha, Chennai, National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata, National Institute of Unani Medicine, Bangalore, National Commission for Indian System of Medicine,

New Delhi are also contributing towards evidence based scientific research in their respective field.

- (c) Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA), Jamnagar is one of the premier Teaching and Research centres for Ayurveda in the country. It is the first institute under Ayush which has been designated as Institute of National Importance. This has also been designated as WHO collaborating centre for traditional Medicines (Ayurveda).

Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RARI), Ahmedabad and Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RARI), Patna in the States of Gujarat and Bihar are peripheral centres under CCRAS respectively. The RARI, Ahmedabad is entrusted with Clinical Research on the management of Skin Disorders through Ayurveda with scientific footings. The RARI, Patna has mandate to undertake research on infectious diseases. It also provides research-oriented health care services through general OPD and geriatric clinic to cater to the health care services of the people.

CCRH has established two research units in Jharkhand and Bihar namely Clinical Research Unit (Homoeopathy), Ranchi and Clinical Verification Unit (Homoeopathy), Patna. One Regional Research Unit of CCRUM is also functioning at Patna. A number of educational institutions/Colleges have also been established in Gujrat, Jharkhand and Bihar.
