

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3718
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2023**

EMPLOYMENT IN YOGA AND NATUROPATHY

3718. SHRI PRAJWAL REVANNA:

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

- (a) whether the Bachelor of Naturopathy and Yogic Sciences (BNYS) and Doctor of Medicine (MD) in Yoga are recognized under Naturopathy and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that some institutes give certificate of 'Doctor in Naturopathy' to the holders of one year postal diploma courses to practice in Yoga and Naturopathy for treating the patients;
- (c) if so, whether there is any provision to give license to such certificate holders;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against such institutes giving such 'Doctor in Naturopathy' certificates for conducting therapy sessions and producing quacks in the country;
- (e) whether the courses certified by Naturopathy Registration Board (NRB), Yoga Certification Board (YCB) are also recognized courses under Yoga and Naturopathy;
- (f) if so, whether the Government has any plan to formulate any statutory regulation for Yoga and Naturopathy, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the status of BNYS graduates and B.Sc., M.Sc., B.A., M.A., graduates in Yoga along with the steps taken to prevent sidelining of the qualified graduates as against YCB and NCB in employment opportunities?

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

(a) to (d): Ministry of Ayush, at present, is not regulating Naturopathy education and practice in the country. However, the Ministry of Ayush has issued detailed guidelines for the registration of Naturopathy practitioners and for the accreditation of Naturopathy Institutions to all State/ UT Governments.

(e) to (f): Ministry of Ayush has established a Yoga Certification Board (YCB) for voluntary certification of Yoga professionals and accreditation of Institutions. There are no approved proposals for any statutory regulation for Yoga and Naturopathy. Ministry of Ayush is promoting and propagating Yoga worldwide. It will require active cooperation and support of stakeholders across the globe.

(g): There is no sidelining of BNYS graduates and B.Sc., M.Sc., B.A., M.A., graduates in Yoga as against YCB and NCB in employment opportunities.
