

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1149
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Ayurvedic Doctors in PHCs

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the sanctioned posts of Ayurvedic doctors along with their development in Primary Health Centers (PHCs) across the country, category-wise, State/UT-wise including district-wise in Assam and Odisha;
- (b) the present strength of doctors in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is an increase in demand for ayurvedic treatment and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to create awareness about ayurvedic medicine among people who mostly rely on allopathic treatment?

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

- (a) The details of Ayush doctors including Ayurveda sanctioned/deployed in the Primary Health Centres, State/UT-wise including Assam and Odisha is furnished at **Annexure-I**. District wise details are not maintained by the Central Government.
- (b) State/UT-wise Ayush Registered Practitioners (Doctors) is furnished at **Annexure-II**.
- (c) & (d) Yes Sir, Ministry of Ayush is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) since 2014-15 through State/UT Governments for development and promotion of Ayush system including Ayurveda to create awareness among people about the strength of Ayush system of medicines for the treatment of common ailments. After implementation of NAM Scheme, the scale of achievement for development of Ayush system of medicine including Ayurveda in the State/UT has increased significantly. Accordingly, budget allocation of NAM enhanced gradually from Rs. 75.28 Crore (in 2014-15) to Rs.1200.00 Crore

(in 2023-24) for different activities of NAM Scheme. The Mission inter-alia makes provision for the following activities: -

- (i) Ayush Health & Wellness Centres
- (ii) Co-location of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs)
- (iii) Upgradation of existing standalone Government Ayush Hospitals
- (iv) Upgradation of existing Government/Panchayat/Government aided Ayush Dispensaries/Construction of building for existing Ayush Dispensary (Rented/ dilapidated accommodation)/Construction of building to establish new Ayush Dispensary in the area where there are no Ayush facilities available
- (v) Setting up of 10/30/50 bedded integrated Ayush Hospitals
- (vi) Supply of essential drugs to Government Ayush Hospitals, Government Dispensaries and Government/Government aided Teaching Institutional Ayush Hospitals
- (vii) Ayush Public Health Programmes
- (viii) Behaviour Change Communication (BCC)
- (ix) Mobility support at State and District level
- (x) Ayush Gram
- (xi) Establishment of new Ayush colleges in the States where availability of Ayush teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector
- (xii) Infrastructural development of Ayush Under-Graduate Institutions and Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/ add on PG/ Pharmacy /Para-Medical Courses

Further, the Ministry of Ayush also implements a Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) in Ayush to create awareness regarding Ayush Systems of Medicine. This scheme aims to reach out to all sections of the population across the country and under this Scheme, Ministry organizes National/State level Arogya Fairs, Yoga Fests/Utsavs, Ayurveda Parvs, Celebrate Important Days of Ayush Systems including Ayurveda day, Participate in Health Fairs/ Melas & Exhibitions, Provide financial assistance for organizing seminars, workshops, conferences and conduct multimedia campaigns etc.

Annexure-I

Details of Ayush doctors including Ayurveda in the country

(As per National Health Mission (NHM)-Management Information System (MIS) report as on June, 2023)

Sl. No.	Name of the States/UTs	Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK)	Others	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	102	102
2	Arunachal Pradesh	84	32	116
3	Assam	426	289	715
4	Bihar	1422	1142	2564
5	Chhattisgarh	584	26	610
6	Goa	30	52	82
7	Gujarat	1831	872	2703
8	Haryana	389	239	628
9	Himachal Pradesh	252	0	252
10	Jharkhand	464	309	773
11	Karnataka	805	611	1416
12	Kerala	0	742	742
13	Madhya Pradesh	1163	433	1596
14	Maharashtra	2175	573	2748
15	Manipur	72	102	174
16	Meghalaya	156	68	224
17	Mizoram	41	20	61
18	Nagaland	15	28	43
19	Odisha	1015	1152	2167
20	Punjab	339	209	548
21	Rajasthan	758	607	1365
22	Sikkim	5	5	10
23	Tamil Nadu	0	475	475
24	Telangana	475	289	764
25	Tripura	21	133	154
26	Uttarakhand	283	95	378
27	Uttar Pradesh	2079	1939	4018
28	West Bengal	1224	566	1790
29	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12	21	33
30	Chandigarh	23	5	28
31	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	9	13	22
32	Delhi	0	0	0
33	Jammu & Kashmir	414	453	867
34	Ladakh	20	30	50
35	Lakshadweep	0	12	12
36	Puducherry	4	40	44
	Total	16590	11684	28274

Annexure-II**State/UT-wise Ayush Registered Practitioners (Doctors) as on 01.01.2022**

S. No.	State/UT	No. of Ayush Registered Practitioners (Doctors)
1	Andhra Pradesh	5331
2	Arunachal Pradesh	473
3	Assam	3192
4	Bihar	73901
5	Chhattisgarh	6988
6	Delhi	10541
7	Goa	1531
8	Gujarat	57270
9	Haryana	12358
10	Himachal Pradesh	7389
11	Jammu & Kashmir	3941
12	Jharkhand	870
13	Karnataka	32857
14	Kerala	47378
15	Madhya Pradesh	43493
16	Maharashtra	174043
17	Manipur	0
18	Meghalaya	493
19	Mizoram	0
20	Nagaland	177
21	Odisha	15475
22	Punjab	16545
23	Rajasthan	21999
24	Sikkim	0
25	Tamil Nadu	17928
26	Telangana	23234
27	Tripura	715
28	Uttar Pradesh	95950
29	Uttarakhand	5495
30	West Bengal	50558
31	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0
32	Chandigarh	192
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	0
34	Ladakh	0
35	Lakshadweep	0
36	Puducherry	0
TOTAL		730317

Source: State/UT Boards/Councils