

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4326
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH DECEMBER, 2019**

TASK FORCE UNDER NATIONAL AYUSH MISSION

4326. SHRI GANESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to extend the reach of Homoeopathy and other AYUSH system of medicines to the rural areas under the 'Ayushman Bharat Yojana';
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to constitute a task force to make the said action plan successful under 'National AYUSH Mission'; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) & (b): Yes. Central Government has taken the decision to operationalize AYUSH Health & Wellness Centres (HWCs) by upgrading existing health care facilities. It is envisaged to transform existing Sub-health Centres/AYUSH dispensaries to Health & Wellness Centres to ensure universal access to an expanded range of Primary Health Care services as appropriate to people's needs. Till date, 1032 AYUSH dispensaries have been approved for upgrading to AYUSH Health & Wellness Centres and budget of Rs. 89.92 crore have been released to States/UTs under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission.

(c) & (d): There is no separate task force under National AYUSH Mission (NAM). However, there is an existing institutional mechanism under NAM to operationalize these AYUSH Health and Wellness Centres.

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