

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 994
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND NOVEMBER, 2019**

BRIDGE COURSE FOR AYUSH DOCTORS

**994. SHRI PARVESH SAHIB SINGH VERMA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the details of the distribution of AYUSH practitioners in the country;
- (b) the total number of Homoeopathy, Unani, Siddha and Naturopathy practitioners in Delhi vis-à-vis other States;
- (c) whether the Government is taking any steps to increase the number of Siddha and Naturopathy practitioners in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether a bridge course or similar plan is being proposed by the Government to enable AYUSH practitioners to prescribe Allopathic medicines;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether Indian Medical Council and Allopathic doctors are dissenting to such a proposal, if so, the details thereof and the basis of such a dissent and also the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The details of the distribution of Ayush practitioners in the country and the total number of Homeopathy, Unani, Siddha and Naturopathy practitioners in Delhi vis-à-vis other States are annexed at **Annexure**.

(c): Yes, the Government had taken steps to increase the number of Siddha practitioners in the country as follows:

- Establishing new Siddha Medical colleges
- Inclusion of basic Siddha syllabus as Occasional Group in Higher Secondary Education at school level

Creating advantages and awareness about Siddha System of Medicine to the public
Generating new postings for Siddha practitioners at State and Central Educational institutes,
Research organisation.

NIN, Pune under Nisarg Gram Project is establishing Naturopathy Medical College (with P.G./U.G./Ph.D./Fellowship/Para Medical Courses) at Yewalewadi, in Pune to increase the number of Practitioner in the country. The construction of the said project has already commenced.

CCRYN has established a Central Research Institute (CRI) of Yoga & Naturopathy at Rohini, Delhi for training and Research in Yoga and Naturopathy.

CCRYN is also in the process of establishment of two PG institutes of Yoga & Naturopathy Education and Research each at Jhajjar, Haryana and Nagamangla, Karnataka.

(d) to (f):

- Dispensing of essential medicines is already permitted under Rules issued under Drugs and Cosmetics Act.
- National Medical Commission Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on 29.12.2017 and referred to Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health & Family Welfare on 04.01.2018. The Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health & Family Welfare has presented its 109th Report on the said Bill to both the Houses of Parliament on 20th March, 2018.
- Based on the recommendation of Departmental related Parliamentary Standing Committee made in its 109th report, the provision for bridge course for AYUSH doctors provided in the NMC Bill earlier has been removed through official amendments.

Annexure

State wise AYUSH Registered Practitioners (Doctors) as on 1-1-2018

S.No.	States/Uts	Ayurveda	Unani	Siddha	Naturopathy	Homoeopathy	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	15921	702	0	123	5247	21993
2	Arunachal Pradesh	55	1	1	0	336	393
3	Assam	1018	0	0	0	1160	2178
4	Bihar	96841	7123	0	0	32506	136470
5	Chhattisgarh	3430	148	0	102	1927	5607
6	Delhi	4661	2570	0	0	4965	12196
7	Goa	668	0	0	0	714	1382
8	Gujarat	26716	327	0	0	22930	49973
9	Haryana	8319	216	0	0	5586	14121
10	Himachal Pradesh	10338	0	0	0	1282	11620
11	Jammu & Kashmir	3123	2596	0	0	410	6129
12	Jharkhand	219	54	0	0	538	811
13	Karnataka	35886	2074	5	911	9450	48326
14	Kerala	25142	118	2275	224	13847	41606
15	Madhya Pradesh	46981	1783	0	15	18284	67063
16	Maharashtra	79200	7000	0	0	66947	153147
17	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	368	368
19	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	143	143
21	Odisha	4874	26	0	0	9825	14725
22	Punjab	11374	211	0	0	4411	15996
23	Rajasthan	9762	983	0	8	8063	18816
24	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Tamil Nadu	4357	1182	6844	788	5596	18767
26	Telangana	10937	4764	0	314	4911	20926
27	Tripura	0	0	0	0	447	447
28	Uttar Pradesh	37262	13884	0	0	34343	85489
29	Uttarakhand	3117	133	0	0	823	4073
30	West Bengal	3503	5215	0	0	38231	46949
31	A&N Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	165	165
33	D&N Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Daman&Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Lakshdweep	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	443704	51110	9125	2485	293455	799879

Source : AYUSH IN INDIA 2018