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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4398 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20THMARCH, 2020

APPOINTMENT OF EXPERT COMMITTEE UNDER AYUSH

4398. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

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

- (a) whether the Government has achieved the desired aims and objectives of setting up of a separate Ministry of AYUSH and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether an Expert Committee would be constituted to look into the various facets of the AYUSH Ministry and suggest remedial steps, if need be, so that the spirit behind constituting a separate Ministry of AYUSH are attained and people are benefited from it; and
- (c) 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): Ministry of AYUSH has mandate to develop AYUSH systems viz. Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Sowa Rigpa and Homoeopathy. The Ministry works with the vision to position AYUSH systems as the preferred systems of living and practice for attaining a healthy India.

The Ministry has since made substantial Progress in realizing the above objectives as detailed below:

- (i) In September, 2014 Central Government launched National AYUSH Mission (NAM) as Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the development of AYUSH Sector in a focused way through the State/UT Governments. The Central Government provides grants-in-aid to States & UTs for taking up various AYUSH development activities. The Ministry has been able to co-locate 7622 Primary Health Centres (PHCs), 2760 Community Health Centres (CHCs) and 495 District Hospitals (DHs) with AYUSH facilities. Further Government has decided that 10% of the total Health & Wellness Ayushman Bharat (12,500) shall be established and operationalized by Centres under AYUSH and 1037 HWC's have been approved during the current year.
- (ii) A proposal has been submitted to National Health Authority (NHA) for including the 33 AYUSH based health packages (19 packages for Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and 14 packages for Yoga & Naturopathy) in the PMJAY.
- (iii) Ministry of AYUSH has successfully popularized Yoga by organised five (05) International Day of Yoga every year since 2015.

- (iv) The Under-Graduate & Post-Graduate admissions in AYUSH education has been initiated through National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (NEET) and All India AYUSH Post Graduate Entrance test (AIAPGET) respectively to make process transparent and merit based.
- (v) Various pilot projects like, AYUSH-Health Management Information System (A-HMIS), yoga locator app, bhuvan app, yoga portal, under digital literacy have been launched.
- (vi) Ministry of AYUSH is also working with WHO for inclusion of AYUSH terminologies in the International Classification of Disease (ICD) of the WHO and also developing M-YOGA application.
- (vii) Ministry of AYUSH has established, two educational institutes namely, All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi and North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Homoeopathy, Shillong, Meghalaya. In addition, the Government has also approved establishment of some more institutes as extension campuses of existing National Level Institutes to broadbase the AYUSH activities viz. National Institute of Homoeopathy (NIH) Narela, Delhi, National Institute of Unani Medicine (NIUM) Ghaziabad, UP, National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA), Panchkula, Haryana, All India Institute of Ayurveda, (AIIA), Goa, NISARG GRAM, NIN Pune, All India Institute of Ayurveda, (AIIA), Phase II Sarita Vihar, Delhi, NEIAH, Phase -II, Shillong National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata Phase -II, National Institute of Sowa Rigpa, Leh.
- (viii) On the lines of Government's initiative on 'Export of Services and Medical Tourism', Ministry of AYUSH has developed Champion Services Sector Scheme on Medical Value Travel Services.
- (ix) With an intention to develop skilled manpower in AYUSH sector, a Sub Council on AYUSH in Healthcare Sector Skill Council (HSSC) has been formed by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship under the Chairmanship of Director ,All India Institute of Ayurveda.
- (x) A Central Sector Scheme of 'Pharmacovigilance Initiative for ASU&H Drugs' has been implemented by the Ministry of AYUSH from the financial year 2017-18.
- (xi) 18 Country to Country MoUs for Cooperation in field of Traditional Medicine and Homoeopathy, 19 MoUs for undertaking Collaborative Research / Academic collaboration 13 MoUs for setting up AYUSH Academic Chairs has been signed by Ministry of AYUSH.
- (xii) The Research Councils under Ministry of AYUSH are successfully running National Program for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, CVD and Stroke (NPCDCS).

(b):	No.
(c):	Doesn't arise.