

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4404  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020**

**POPULARISATION OF HOMOEOPATHY**

**4404. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is undertaking efforts to popularise the use of homoeopathy in the country;
- (b) if so, the action taken in this regard during the last three years;
- (c) whether there is shortage of professors in homoeopathy colleges/institutions; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government so far to address the deficit?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, the Ministry of AYUSH is committed for popularising the use of Homoeopathy in the Country.

Ministry of AYUSH is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM) through States / Uts. Under NAM, there is provision of financial assistance for setting up of new AYUSH Educational Institutions including Homoeopathy in the States where it is not available in Government sector. State/UT Governments may avail the eligible financial assistance for setting up of new AYUSH Educational Institutions including Homoeopathy as per NAM guidelines.

Further, National AYUSH Mission (NAM) inter-alia makes provision for promotion of AYUSH including Homoeopathy in the country for the following activities: -

- (i) Co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centers (PHCs), Community Health Centers (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs).
- (ii) Up gradation of exclusive State Government AYUSH Hospitals and Dispensaries.
- (iii) Supply of essential drugs to AYUSH hospitals and dispensaries.
- (iv) Setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital.
- (v) Up gradation of State Government Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate AYUSH Educational Institutions.

(vi) Setting up of new AYUSH Educational Institutions including Homoeopathy in the States where it is not available in Government sector.

(vii) Strengthening of State Government/State Government Co-operatives/Public Sector Undertakings Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy (ASU&H) Pharmacies.

(viii) Strengthening of State Drug Testing Laboratories for ASU &H Drugs.

(ix) Support for cultivation of Medicinal Plants including processing and post-harvest management.

Further, the Government is regulating and popularising this system through the following apex bodies for Education, Practice; Research and Quality monitoring of Homoeopathic Drugs :-

**Central Council of Homoeopathy** – A Statutory Body under the Ministry of AYUSH, constituted under the provisions of Homoeopathic Central Council (HCC) Act, 1973 for regulating education and practice in Homoeopathy.

**Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH)** is an apex research organization under Ministry of AYUSH, which undertakes coordinates, develops, disseminates and promotes scientific research in Homoeopathy through its network of 24 research centres and 06 Homoeopathic treatment centres and is carrying out intramural research including collaboration with institutes of excellence and promoting Homoeopathy. For promotion and popularisation of homoeopathy, CCRH is also participating in National/ State level Arogya Melas/ Health camps/ exhibition to promote and popularise Homoeopathy amongst general masses. As part of IEC program, CCRH has developed information and educative material for the common people which are distributed free to the public through Exhibitions / Health Melas / Seminars etc.

**National Institute of Homoeopathy (NIH)** is an Autonomous Institute under this Ministry which is imparting undergraduate and Post Graduate courses in Homoeopathy. It is also having 100 bedded Homeopathic Hospital. NIH, Kolkata is also participating in National Arogya Health Melas / Seminars etc. for popularising Homoeopathy amongst general masses.

**Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory (HPL)**, is an apex Laboratory for the purpose of laying down standards and testing for identity, purity and quality of Homoeopathic Medicines.

Further, from last 3 years the World Homoeopathy day is being celebrated on 10<sup>th</sup> April to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Dr. Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann, the founder of Homoeopathy.

(c) & (d): Yes, there is shortage of Professors in some Homoeopathy colleges.

As per the Homoeopathy Central Council (Minimum Standards of Requirement of Homoeopathy Colleges and attached Hospitals), Regulations, 2013, the Minimum requirement of full time teachers is 28 and 24 for intake capacity of 100 and 60 seats respectively. In order to address the shortage of Professors provision for engagement of retired teachers till the age of 65 years is provided in the said regulations.

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