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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4519 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20THMARCH, 2020

APPOINTMENT OF AYUSH DOCTORS UNDER AYUSHMAN BHARAT YOJANA

4519. SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to appoint AYUSH doctors under Ayushman Bharat Yojana to overcome the shortage of doctors in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(a)& (b): Ministry of AYUSH has proposed to develop 10% of the total target of Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) under Ayushman Bharat Yojana over a period up to 2023-24.

In this 10% (12500 HWCs), there is provision of engaging AYUSH physicians as Community Health Officer (CHO) on contractual basis in the HWC. These contractual CHO would be engaged only in those HWCs where the permanent AYUSH Medical Officer is not working. The action to establish/operationalize HWCs is being initiated at the level of State/UT Governments.