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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1120 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020

#### AYUSH TREATEMENT FOR CANCER

### 1120. SHRI JYOTIRMAY SINGH MAHATO:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the treatment of Cancer has been found through the Ayurvedic medicine and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether there is any proposal to provide Ayurveda based research and facilities for the treatment of the diseases like Cancer and other lifestyle diseases?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a): The Government has taken many steps to promote research in Ayurveda to develop treatment of cancer. The Government has set-up Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) as an autonomous organization, with the mandate to undertake research in Ayurvedic healthcare services.

The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) has undertaken research related to Cancer also involved in drug development and documentation of medical practices as per following details:-

- Development of AYUSH QOL2C for improving quality of life in cancer patients
- Development of Carctol S as Standalone therapy in Ovarian Cancer
- Development of Comprehensive Integrated Format for Systematic Documentation of Cancer Management through Ayurveda Interventions
- Screening of medicinal plants on Anticancer Activity
- Ayurveda Interventions for Cancer: Systematic Review, Meta-analysis; and Revival, Documentation, Validation and analysis of data from practitioners, institutes
- (b): The Center for Integrative Oncology (CIO) has been established as a joint venture of All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) and National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research (NICPR-ICMR) with the intention of collaborative research activities in cancer.

All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) has also signed MoU with Dr. BRA Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital (IRCH) and All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, with similar aims and objectives.