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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2233 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020

#### TREATMENT UNDER NATUROPATHY SYSTEM

## 2233. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

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

- (a) whether the number of people treated by Naturopathy is less in the country including Uttarakhand, if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether it is due to lack of awareness in people about the system of Naturopathy, qualified doctors and basic infrastructural facilities;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to popularise Naturopathy across the country including its treatment in Uttarakhand in view of its accessibility, cost effectiveness and unique geography of the hill State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (b): Since public health is a State subject, initiating various steps for promotion of Naturopathy in their respective domains fall under the purview of the respective State/UT governments. The Ministry of AYUSH does not maintain any data of the number of people treated by Naturopathy, State/UT-wise in the country.
- (c) & (d): Yes. Ministry of AYUSH also strives to promote the system and to create awareness for the benefit of the people. Ministry of AYUSH through its two autonomous bodies namely Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN), New Delhi and National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN) promote activities related to Naturopathy.

CCRYN is the apex body for research and development in the Yoga and Naturopathy systems. NIN a premier institute for Naturopathy organise activities related Naturopathy. The activities are listed below in gist:-

## CCRYN, New Delhi

i. Research projects in Yoga and Naturopathy with a view to develop scientific basis and supporting evidence for various practices of Yoga and Naturopathy.

- **ii.** Running Central Research Institute of Yoga & Naturopathy (CRIYN), Rohini, Delhi.
- iii. Collaborative Research centres.
- iv. Conducting multi-centric research studies.
- v. Establishment of OPD of Yoga & Naturopathy for drawing data for research.

## NIN, Pune

- i. Conducting One Year Full Time "Treatment Assistant Training Course" (TATC) at NIN campus, and Conducting Training of Trainers (TOT) programs outside Pune.
- ii. Running OPD clinic.
- **iii.** Conducting Yoga session camps at various Govt. offices, Institutes, Schools, Colleges etc.
- **iv.** Coordinating various public-facing activities to promote Naturopathy across the country.
- **v.** Conducts on an average 16 outreach activities every month to popularize Naturopathy.

Also, an Information Education and Communication (IEC) Scheme, has been devised by the Ministry, activities under which include steps to reach out to people to promote awareness about Naturopathy. IEC activities include public events, conferences, exhibitions, camps and programs on TV, Radio, Print-media etc.

In addition to the above, under National AYUSH Mission (NAM), financial assistance is provided to States and Union Territories for setting up AYUSH Wellness Centres. Naturopathy form important element of such Wellness Centres, subject to the choice of the concerned State/UT governments.