

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 932
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18th SEPTEMBER, 2020**

AYURVEDA IN KERALA

932. SHRI M.K. RAGHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Kerala is the world capital of Ayurveda, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government for development of India's own system of alternative medicine originating from Kerala;
- (c) whether the Government is considering any projects for promotion/growth of Homoeopathy in Kerala where it is widely practiced and accepted; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a): No such information is available to verify such facts.
- (b): Ayurveda is the traditional system of Medicine of Indian origin and not alternative medicine. In order to promote Ayurveda, Ministry of AYUSH has established following Ayurvedic National Level Institutes in different parts of the country.
 - (i) National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur
 - (ii) All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi
 - (iii) Institute of Post Graduate Teaching and Research in Ayurveda, Jamnagar
 - (iv) North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Homoeopathy, Shillong
 - (v) Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth, New Delhi

Ministry of AYUSH has also set up Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences as an Apex Body for formulation, coordination, development and promotion of Research in Ayurveda on Scientific lines. Central Council of Indian Medicine established under Indian Medicine Central Council Act (IMCC), 1970

(c) to (d): The Ministry of AYUSH upgraded the erstwhile Central Research Institute in Homoeopathy, Kottayam, Kerala under the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) to National Homoeopathy Research Institute in Mental Health (NHRIMH) in 2016 by launching the postgraduate MD(Hom.) courses in Psychiatry and Practice of Medicines with six seats each.

The Institute has a built up area of 7528 sq. mts. accommodating general and special outpatient departments, inpatient department for 100 patients including a dedicated Psychiatry ward, Clinical laboratory, Occupational therapy & rehabilitation Unit etc.