

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 981  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020**

**AYUSH MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS**

**981. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:**

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

(a) the total number of AYUSH Medical practitioners practicing Homoeopathy, Unani, Siddha and Naturopathy in the country State/UT-wise including Bihar;

(b) whether the Government proposes to setup any Naturopathy Hospital in Darbhanga district of Bihar;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to bring health care facilities under AYUSH into the mainstream?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): The number of AYUSH doctors practising Homoeopathy, Unani, Siddha and Naturopathy in the country State/UT-wise including Bihar is annexed at **Annexure**.

(b) & (c): As Public Health being a state subject, setting up of Naturopathy Hospital in Darbhanga district of Bihar comes under the purview of the State Government of Bihar. However, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM) there is provision for financial assistance for setting up of upto 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospitals including Naturopathy. State Government of Bihar may avail the eligible financial assistance by submitting suitable proposal through State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) as per NAM guidelines.

(d) The steps taken by the Government to link healthcare facilities of AYUSH with the mainstream: -

1. National Health Policy- 2017 inter-alia makes provision for mainstreaming of AYUSH with following objectives:

i. To provide comprehensive set of preventive, promotive, curative and rehabilitative services

- ii. This policy ensures access to AYUSH remedies through co-location in public facilities.
  - iii. The policy recognizes the need to standardize and validate Ayurvedic medicines and establish a robust and effective quality control mechanism for AYUSH drugs.
  - iv. Policy recognizes the need to nurture AYUSH system of medicine, through development of infrastructural facilities of teaching institutions, improving quality control of drugs, capacity building of institutions and professionals.
  - v. Development of sustainable livelihood systems through involving local communities and establishing forward and backward market linkages in processing of medicinal plants.
  - vi. To strengthen steps for farming of herbal plants.
2. Government of India has adopted a strategy of Co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs), thus enabling choice to the patients for different systems of medicines under single window. The engagement of AYUSH Doctors/paramedics and their training are supported by the Department of Health & Family Welfare, while the support for AYUSH infrastructure, equipment/ furniture and medicines are provided by Ministry of AYUSH under shared responsibilities.
3. Further, the Central Government has launched National AYUSH Mission (NAM) which is the flagship Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the Ministry of AYUSH for implementing through States/UTs. The Mission envisages better access to AYUSH services, strengthening of AYUSH educational institutions, enforcement of quality control of Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani & Homoeopathy (ASU &H) drugs and promotion of medicinal plants for sustainable availability of raw-materials for ASU & H drugs in the States/UTs.
4. National AYUSH Mission (NAM) inter-alia makes provision for following major activities through States/UTs:
  - (i) Better access to AYUSH services by supporting States/UTs for opening integrated AYUSH hospitals, up-gradation of AYUSH hospitals and dispensaries, supply of AYUSH medicines.
  - (ii) Strengthening of AYUSH educational institutions by strengthening States/UTs to improve infrastructure of education institutions.
  - (iii) Facilitate the enforcement of quality control of Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani & Homoeopathy (ASU&H) drugs by establishment of AYUSH pharmacies and drugs testing laboratories.
  - (iv) Sustainable availability of ASU & H raw-materials by encouraging cultivation of medicinal plants.
5. By National AYUSH Mission (NAM), Government had taken measures to provide low cost health care facilities through Public health care outreach activities and geriatric campaign related to awareness programmes of various diseases. Health care facilities are being provided through Swasthya Rakshan Programme (SRP) programmes in rural areas.

6. Different Research Councils of the Ministry of AYUSH have jointly taken up a project on National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer Diabetes Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) through integration of Homoeopathy and Yoga on pilot basis. The programme has been implemented w.e.f. Sept. 2015 in seven districts in different states in collaboration with Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
7. Central Council of Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) has co-location of homoeopathy treatment centre in allopathic hospital for providing treatment on various clinical conditions at the following places:
  - i. Safdarjung Hospital (New Delhi)
  - ii. Lady Hardinge Medical College & Hospital (New Delhi)
  - iii. Delhi Cantonment General Hospital (New Delhi)
  - iv. Delhi State Cancer Hospital (Delhi)
  - v. Clinical trial Unit, at BRD Medical College and Hospital, Gorakhpur (UP)
  - vi. Ext. centre at Princess Durru Sevar Children and General Hospital, Hyderabad (Telangana)
  - vii. Civil Hospital, Aizwal, Mizoram
  - viii. District hospital, Dimapur, Nagaland
8. National Institute of Siddha (NIS) is providing healthcare in Siddha System of Medicine for large number of patients in OPD/IPD of the attached Ayothidoss Pandithar Hospital (NABH accredited). This Institute is a referral tertiary care hospital receiving referral from mainstream hospitals in South India.
9. National Institute of Unani Medicine (NIUM) is working towards the promotion of health and prevention of disease including treatment through drugs and specific Tadabeer (Regimenal) of Unani system of Medicine which are all helping to bring health care facilities into the mainstream.

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## State wise AYUSH Registered Practitioners (Doctors) as on 1-1-2018

S.No.	States/Uts	Ayurveda	Unani	Siddha	Naturopathy	Homoeopathy	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	15921	702	0	123	5247	21993
2	Arunachal Pradesh	55	1	1	0	336	393
3	Assam	1018	0	0	0	1160	2178
4	Bihar	96841	7123	0	0	32506	136470
5	Chhattisgarh	3430	148	0	102	1927	5607
6	Delhi	4661	2570	0	0	4965	12196
7	Goa	668	0	0	0	714	1382
8	Gujarat	26716	327	0	0	22930	49973
9	Haryana	8319	216	0	0	5586	14121
10	Himachal Pradesh	10338	0	0	0	1282	11620
11	Jammu & Kashmir	3123	2596	0	0	410	6129
12	Jharkhand	219	54	0	0	538	811
13	Karnataka	35886	2074	5	911	9450	48326
14	Kerala	25142	118	2275	224	13847	41606
15	Madhya Pradesh	46981	1783	0	15	18284	67063
16	Maharashtra	79200	7000	0	0	66947	153147
17	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	368	368
19	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	143	143
21	Odisha	4874	26	0	0	9825	14725
22	Punjab	11374	211	0	0	4411	15996
23	Rajasthan	9762	983	0	8	8063	18816
24	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Tamil Nadu	4357	1182	6844	788	5596	18767
26	Telangana	10937	4764	0	314	4911	20926
27	Tripura	0	0	0	0	447	447
28	Uttar Pradesh	37262	13884	0	0	34343	85489
29	Uttarakhand	3117	133	0	0	823	4073
30	West Bengal	3503	5215	0	0	38231	46949
31	A&N Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	165	165
33	D&N Haveli	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Daman&Diu	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>443704</b>	<b>51110</b>	<b>9125</b>	<b>2485</b>	<b>293455</b>	<b>799879</b>

Source : AYUSH IN INDIA 2018