

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1969
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12TH February, 2021**

AYUSH SYSTEM OF MEDICINES

**1969. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:
SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the increase in the use of AYUSH system of medicines in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal for further promotion of AYUSH systems among people within and outside the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the corrective measures being taken up with adequate dissemination of information through electronic, press and social media; and
- (d) the budgetary provision made for the promotion of AYUSH system of medicines in the country, State/UT wise?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND
SPORTS AND ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)**

(a): Yes, there has been an increasing trend in the number of people availing medicinal facilities under AYUSH for the last three years as per the table given below.

Number of Patients who visited Government Health Care Facilities under AYUSH during 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18

Year	IPD	OPD
2015-16	1156695	159459379
2016-17	1685773	172700313
2017-18	1957921	177375226

Source: Annual Statistical Publication of Ministry of AYUSH namely “AYUSH In INDIA” for the year 2016, 2017 and 2018

(b): Ministry of AYUSH is implementing Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely National AYUSH Mission (NAM) through States/UTs for the promotion of AYUSH system among people within India. 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. The National AYUSH Mission (NAM) inter-alia makes provision for the following activities: -

- i. Co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centers (PHCs), Community Health Centers (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs).
- ii. Up gradation of exclusive State Government AYUSH Hospitals and Dispensaries.
- iii. Setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital.
- iv. Upgradation of State Government Educational Institutions.
- v. Setting up of new State Government AYUSH Educational Institutions in the State where it is not available.
- vi. Strengthening of State Government/ Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy (ASU&H) Pharmacies and Drug Testing Laboratories (DTL).
- vii. Cultivation and Promotion of Medicinal Plants.
- viii. Upgradation of 12,500 Health facilities (10,000 AYUSH Dispensaries and 2500 Health sub-centers) into AYUSH Health and Wellness Centre under the Ayushman Bharat.

With the mandate of promotion of AYUSH systems among people in foreign countries, Ministry of AYUSH undertakes various activities under Central Sector Scheme for promotion of International Cooperation, (IC Scheme). 33 AYUSH Information Cell have been set up in 30 countries to disseminate authentic information about AYUSH systems of Medicine.

AYUSH experts are deputed to foreign countries to participate in international meetings, conferences, training programmes, seminars and on special assignment of the Government of India for promotion and propagation of AYUSH Systems.

Ministry of AYUSH has signed 25 Country to Country MoUs for Cooperation in field of Traditional Medicine and Homoeopathy, 23 MoUs for undertaking collaborative research in AYUSH systems of medicine and 13 MoUs for setting up of AYUSH academic Chairs with various foreign institutes/ universities.

Ministry of AYUSH under its Fellowship Scheme offers 104 scholarships every year to the eligible foreign nationals from 99 countries for undertaking UG, PG and Ph.D courses in various premier AYUSH Institutes in India.

System of AYUSH (Ayurveda, Unani and Homeopathy along with Yoga) has been integrated with the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS).

(c): State / UT Government has submitted State Annual Action Plan (SAAP) under National AYUSH Mission (NAM) for various activities including Information Education Communication (IEC) and Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) as per their requirement. Accordingly, Ministry of AYUSH has approved BCC & IEC activity with adequate dissemination for States / UTs through electronic, press and social media.

Through the dedicated Central Sector Scheme “Information Education Communication (IEC)” the Ministry has taken number of corrective measures with adequate dissemination of information through electronic, press, and social media in recent times. These are as under:

- i. Upscaling of social media platform,
- ii. Holding webinars on virtual platform,
- iii. Launching Ayush Immunity campaign,
- iv. Involving the state governments for spreading messages of this Ministry,
- v. Creation of short videos with the support of NFDC,
- vi. Community radio programmes for dissemination of information through community radios among rural population.

(d): During 2020-21, Ministry of AYUSH has Released Rs. 31985.152 /- lakhs under National AYUSH Mission (NAM) for the promotion of AYUSH system of medicines. State/UT wise status of released grant is enclosed as Annexure-I. In addition, an amount of Rs. 17341.00 /- lakhs has been released during 2020-21 to the Central Research Councils, National Institutes and Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghaziabad under Ministry of AYUSH.

Annexure-I**State/UT wise status of release during the year 2020-21 under Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely National AYUSH Mission (NAM)****(Rs. in Lakhs)**

S. No.	Name of States/UTs	Grant released during 2020-21
1	Andaman & Nicobar	97.250
2	Andhra Pradesh	192.700
3	Arunachal Pradesh	438.666
4	Assam	347.150
5	Bihar	516.535
6	Chandigarh	195.808
7	Chhattisgarh	1400.470
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.000
9	Daman & Diu	0.000
10	Delhi	0.000
11	Goa	65.988
12	Gujarat	229.595
13	Haryana	3004.422
14	Himachal Pradesh	494.940
15	Jammu & Kashmir	970.411
16	Jharkhand	0.000
17	Karnataka	2073.888
18	Kerala	1068.794
19	Lakshadweep	16.830
20	Madhya Pradesh	5608.440
21	Maharashtra	0.000
22	Manipur	27.010
24	Mizoram	253.110
24	Meghalaya	128.520
25	Nagaland	644.426
26	Odisha	358.320
27	Puducherry	47.667
28	Punjab	89.770
29	Rajasthan	2276.400
30	Sikkim	165.740
31	Tamil Nadu	308.290
32	Telangana	0.000
33	Tripura	270.080
34	Uttar Pradesh	10118.348
35	Uttarakhand	328.238
36	West Bengal	247.346
	TOTAL	31985.152