

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.808  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>TH</sup> February, 2021**

**AYURVEDIC/HOMOEOPATHIC CENTRE FOR COVID-19**

**808. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:  
SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has effectively handled/ tackled the COVID-19 pandemic in a very calculated/ strategic manner;
- (b) whether the Government has adopted various alternative systems of medicine such as Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Unani etc. in tackling the COVID pandemic, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of such Ayurvedic and Homeopathic centres setup to fight against this pandemic in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the number of the COVID patients admitted in these centres along with the expenditure incurred thereon, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) whether any assessment has been made regarding the recovery rate in the treatment through above said alternative systems of medicines and if so, the details thereof?

**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) & (b): Yes. Ministry of AYUSH issued an advisory on 29.01.2020 on how to protect oneself from COVID and how to stay healthy. Ministry has written letter to all Chief Secretaries of States / Union territories with more specific suggestions on augmentation of General Immunity of people and about possible AYUSH intervention. Ministry has also issued self-care guidelines on 31.03.2020 for preventive health measures and boosting immunity with special reference to respiratory health.

Guidelines for Registered Practitioners of respective system of AYUSH (including Ayurveda, Homeopathy & Unani) have been prepared by Research Councils and National Institutes with their team of experts and same is vetted by the Interdisciplinary AYUSH Research and Development Task Force of Ministry of AYUSH. These vetted guidelines are made available in public domain for the benefit of more than 700000 registered AYUSH practitioners to help in the management of COVID 19 pandemic uniformly.

(c) & (d): As public health is State subject; the details of Ayurvedic and Homeopathic centres setup to fight against Covid-19 pandemic in the country & the data with respect to number of the COVID patients admitted in these centres along with the expenditure incurred thereon State/UT wise is not maintained by Central Government. Further, the assessment regarding the recovery rate through alternative system of Medicine comes under the purview of respective State/UT Government.

(e): Ministry of AYUSH has launched Interdisciplinary studies involving AYUSH interventions including Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Unani etc. for COVID-19 based on the recommendations of Interdisciplinary AYUSH R&D Task Force. 105 research studies at 136 centres in the country have been initiated on AYUSH interventions.