

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2113
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2022**

PROMOTION OF AYUSH

2113. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is launching a targeted Ayush Public Health Programme involving the States and UTs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to provide cost effective Ayush services along with increasing the universal reach through upgradation of Ayush hospitals and dispensaries?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

(a) & (b) Ministry of Ayush has been implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) from 2014-15 to promote and develop AYUSH system through States/UTs. The evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission under 28 Umbrella Schemes has been undertaken by NITI Aayog. The evaluation revealed that interventions of targeted AYUSH Public Health Programmes through Community Health Centres, Primary Health Centres, Sub centres, and other similar institutions are required so that preventive and promotive health care is given a more focused orientation. While Union Cabinet was approving for continuation of NAM from 2021-22 to 2025-26, new AYUSH Public Health programs were also approved for incorporation into the NAM guidelines. Accordingly, based on observation/recommendation of evaluation and approval of Union Cabinet, the guidelines of the NAM scheme have been revised under consultation with State/UT Governments and new AYUSH Public Health programs have been incorporated. The revised NAM guideline has been circulated to all States/UTs to implement these new programmes. Since the implementation of the NAM scheme comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments, therefore it is required that they have to submit the proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the schematic provisions. The new AYUSH Public Health programs are as follows:-

- i. National Program for Prevention and Management of Osteoarthritis & other Musculoskeletal Disorders

- ii. Integration of AYUSH with the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS)
- iii. SUPRAJA: AYUSH Maternal & Neo-natal Intervention
- iv. VAYO MITRA: AYUSH Geriatric Healthcare Services
- v. AYURVIDYA: Healthy lifestyle through AYUSH for School Children
- vi. AYUSH Mobile Medical Unit
- vii. KARUNYA: AYUSH Palliative Services
- viii. National Programme on AYUSH for Morbidity Management and Disability Prevention (MMDP) of Lymphatic Filariasis (Lymphoedema)

(c) Under NAM, the Ministry of Ayush has supported efforts of State/UT Governments for upgradation and supply of essential medicines to AYUSH Hospitals & Dispensaries by providing financial support to them as per the proposals received through SAAPs to provide cost effective AYUSH services along with increasing the universal reach.