

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 1916
ANSWERED ON 02/08/2024
“Scholarship to Foreign Students”

1916: Smt. Poonamben Hematbhai Maadam:

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

- (a) Whether the Government provides scholarship to foreign students for studying AYUSH systems;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken steps to promote AYUSH systems globally particularly in foreign educational institutions; and
- (d) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) and (b) Yes, Ministry of Ayush provides 104 scholarships annually to the eligible foreign nationals from 102 countries for undertaking UG/PG/PhD courses in Ayush in premier institutes in India. The scholarship is being implemented through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR). It provides opportunity for the promotion and propagation of Indian Traditional Systems of Medicine across the globe.

(c) and (d) Yes, the Ministry of Ayush developed a Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of International Co-operation in Ayush (IC Scheme) under which various activities has been undertaking for the promotion and propagation of Ayush globally i.e. Signing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Foreign Countries/ International Organizations/Foreign Educational Institutes, Universities etc. for

cooperation in the field of Ayush/Traditional Medicine i.e. Country to Country MoUs with Foreign Countries/ Institute level MoUs with International organizations including educational institutes for undertaking Collaborative Research / Academic collaboration/ MoUs with Foreign Universities/Institutes for establishment of Ayush Academic Chairs in foreign nations; collaboration with WHO; establishment of Ayush Information Cell in Foreign Countries to undertake Ayush Promotional Activities; deputation of Ayush experts to UN/Academic institutions etc.
