GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.905

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EMPLOYABILITY OF BAMS AND BHMS

905#SHRI GAURAV GOGOI:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are any skill development workshops, training programme, or internship opportunities offered by the Government to enhance the employability of BAMS and BHMS graduates in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any dedicated programmes or initiatives to assist BAMS, BHMS and other AYUSH graduates in finding employment after graduation and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has a long-term strategy to support graduates with employment opportunities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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(a)&(b) As per the extant provisions under National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) Act, 2020 and National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH) Act, 2020, the Ayurveda, Siddha, Sowa Rigpa, Unani & Homoeopathy (ASUSR&H) students are required to undergo one year compulsory rotatory internship wherein the skills of the students in reference to patient dealing and medicine prescription under the supervision of senior doctors is enhanced. Apart from one year compulsory rotatory internship, various capacity building & skill development programmes are also conducted by National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) and National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH). The details are at **Annexure-I.**

The Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth (RAV), New Delhi, an autonomous body under Ministry of Ayush also conducts a National level programme of Certification of RAV (CRAV) since 1999, which aim to develop Ayurvedic graduates to acquire more skill and competence by training them under various Gurus and imbibing knowledge through Guru-Shishya parampara methodology.

(c) & (d) The Ministry of Ayush has set up an Incubation and Innovation Centre (iCAINE) in the campus of All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi, to nucleate a cluster of new age ventures and to promote entrepreneurship leveraging the academic knowledge. Further, the NCISM has mandated for all ASUSR colleges to establish a Research and Innovation Cell in their campuses for translation of innovations and enhancing entrepreneurship skills of the students.

Programme or initiative to enhance the employability of Ayush graduates

- Entrepreneurship Skills to train the co-coordinator from all ASUS colleges on "Entrepreneurship Skills" NCISM entered into MOU with NI-MSME (National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) and has organized various Capacity Building Programs on "Entrepreneurship Development from December 2023 to July 2024.
- A provision of Research & Innovation Cell has been introduced under National Commission for Indian System of Medicine to provide innovation, incubation, research, publication and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR).
- Studentship Program for Ayurveda research Ken (SPARK) provide a studentship of Rs.
 50000 to 100 UG to promote better dissertation work. Looking at the success of this program, this year the scheme has been extended to 200 UG students.
- The CCRAS, in collaboration with NCISM has launched a "Scheme for Training in Ayurveda Research for Post Graduate Scholars" (PG-STAR). A studentship of Rs 100000/- will be given to 100 selected PG students for their dissertation work.
- Virtual Research trainings have been conducted by Homoeopathy Education Board under NCH to encourage and enlighten the knowledge of clinical research methods of the postgraduate students for preparation of synopsis and dissertations.
- After graduation, Ayush graduates have wide job opportunities in public health sector in various Central/State Government/Private sector organizations.
- Ayush graduates are also being engaged in various schemes/programmes under National Health Mission and National Ayush Mission.