

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1880
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2024

Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Research centres

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Research Centres set up by the Government during the last three years;
- (b) whether adequate funds have been allocated for setting up of these centres and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received any proposal for the allocation of additional funds, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government to promote research and development in Homoeopathy in the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) and the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) are apex research organizations under the aegis of Ministry of Ayush for Ayurveda and Homoeopathy systems of medicine, respectively. CCRH has twenty seven Research Institutes/units across the country, including one new Clinical Research Unit at Goa established in the year 2023. CCRAS has thirty Research Institutes/centres and has not established any new Research Centre during last three years. Funds utilized/ allocated to the Clinical Research Unit (H) at Goa during the financial year 2022-23 is Rs. 7.32 Lakhs and during the financial year 2023- 24 is Rs. 85.29 Lakhs. Further, no proposal has been received for additional allocation of funds from Clinical Research Unit (H), Goa.

(d) The steps taken to promote research and development in Homoeopathy across the country are given below: -

(1) The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) is an apex research organization under the Ministry of Ayush, which undertakes coordinates, develops, disseminates and promotes scientific research in Homoeopathy through its network of 27 research institutes/units and 07 Homoeopathic treatment centres and is carrying out intramural research including collaboration with institutes of excellence, promoting Homoeopathy and offering healthcare services through the OPDs/IPDs of the

above institutes/units and treatment centres. CCRH has upgraded its institutes in terms of infrastructure, laboratory facilities and upgraded Central Research Institute, Kottayam into National Homoeopathy Research Institute in Mental Health (NHRIMH), Kottayam. CCRH is also participating in National/ State level Arogya Melas/ Health camps/ exhibition to promote and popularize Homoeopathy among general masses. As part of IEC programme, CCRH has developed information and education material which are distributed free of cost to the general public through Exhibitions / Health Melas / Seminars/ celebration of World Homoeopathy Day/ social media, such as facebook pages, twitter account, etc. Further, Council has undertaken following Public Health Initiative programmes: Homoeopathy for Healthy teething; Swasthya Rakshan Programme; National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS); Scheduled Caste Component plan (SC Component plan) Health camps; Participating in poshan maha abhiyan through its centres; Participating in the activities related to Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.

(2) The National Institute of Homoeopathy (NIH), Kolkata is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Ayush to foster excellence in Homoeopathic medical education and research, to educate and train undergraduate, post-graduate students and research scholars of Homoeopathy in accordance with highest professional standards and ethical values. The Institute presently conducts the degree course in Homoeopathy viz. Bachelor of Homoeopathic Medicine and Surgery (B.H.M.S.) and Post - Graduate course i.e. Doctor of Medicine in Homoeopathy [M.D.(Hom.)] in six specialties.

A satellite Institute of the National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata, was established on 11.12.2022 at Narela, Delhi with 100 beds which are equipped with therapeutic and interventional infra-structure and state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and techniques, which is used in therapy, teaching, training and research. The patient care is provided mainly through Homoeopathic medicine at secondary and tertiary levels. At present, the Institute is offering Post-Graduation in seven specialties.

(3) The National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH) was constituted vide notification dated 5th July, 2021 by repealing the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973 (59 of 1973) under the provisions of the National Commission for Homoeopathy Act, 2020 (15 of 2020) to exercise the powers conferred upon, and to perform the functions assigned to it. NCH, a statutory body under the Ministry of Ayush, has notified a regulation, namely, the National Commission for Homoeopathy (Medical Research in Homoeopathy) Regulation, 2023 specifying the guidelines for undertaking research in Homoeopathy.

Further, NCH encourages Homoeopathy Medical professionals to adopt latest medical research in their work and contribute to research in Homoeopathy. The concepts of Research Methodology for supplementing modern advancement, research and technology in Homoeopathy (SMART-Hom) have been appropriately incorporated in the regulation namely, the National Commission for Homoeopathy (Homoeopathy Graduate Degree Course- Bachelor of Homoeopathic Medicine and Surgery (B.H.M.S.) Regulations, 2020. Further, NCH has also conducted research methodology training for post graduate students and teachers in association with Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy.

(4) The Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM&H) is a subordinate office under the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India for development of Pharmacopoeias and Formularies as well as acting as Central Drug Testing cum Appellate Laboratory for Indian systems of

Medicine & Homoeopathy. Pharmacopoeia standards for Homoeopathic drugs are established through publication of Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India (HPI) by PCIM&H on behalf of Ministry of Ayush.
