

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3181  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2024**

**SETTING UP OF YOGA UNIVERSITY**

**3181.SHRI DEVESH CHANDRA THAKUR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to promote Yoga and naturopathy and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has set up or proposes to set up Yoga universities in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make or has made Yoga and naturopathy a part of school's curriculum with a view to promote Yoga and naturopathy and create awareness among the people in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

**(a):**Ministry of Ayush promotes Yoga and Naturopathy in the country through its three autonomous bodies namely Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY), New Delhi, Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), New Delhi and National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), Pune. MDNIY provides various courses for Yoga Education. CCRYN is the apex body for research and development in the Yoga and Naturopathy systems. NIN, a premier institute for Naturopathy, organizes various activities related to Naturopathy and Yoga. The activities and programs of MDNIY, CCRYN and NIN are available on the websites i.e. [yogamdniy.nic.in](http://yogamdniy.nic.in), [www.ccryn.gov.in](http://www.ccryn.gov.in) and [ninpune.ayush.gov.in](http://ninpune.ayush.gov.in) respectively.

Also, the Ministry is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments for development & promotion of different Ayush systems in the country including Yoga and providing financial assistance to them as per the proposals received in their State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs). State/UT Governments may avail financial assistance by submitting proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the NAM guidelines. Under National AYUSH Mission (NAM), Ministry of Ayush is implementing the operationalization of 12,500 Ayushman Arogya Mandir through State/UT Governments. At these Ayushman Arogya Mandirs, Yoga is being taught to the public for general health promotion as community-based intervention by qualified Yoga Instructors.

Further, an Information Education and Communication (IEC) Scheme, has also been devised by the Ministry, activities under which include steps to reach out to people to promote

awareness about Yoga and Naturopathy. IEC activities include public events, conferences, exhibitions, camps and programs on TV, Radio, Print-Media etc.

**(b):**There is no such proposal currently with this Ministry to set up any Yoga University in the country.

**(c)& (d):**Presently there is no regulation for the Yoga and Naturopathy education at Central level.

Further, National Curriculum Framework (NCF), 2005 recommended Yoga as an integral part of Health and Physical Education. Health and Physical Education is a compulsory subject from Class I to Class X and optional from Class XI to XII. The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has already developed integrated syllabi on Health and Physical Education from Class I to Class X.

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