

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4790
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH MARCH, 2025**

“Research and Development for Unani Medicine”

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated towards research and development for Unani medicine during the last five financial years and in budget 2025-26, institution-wise;
- (b) the current status of ongoing initiatives aimed at integrating Unani medicine into mainstream healthcare, particularly in Government hospitals, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the steps have been taken by the Government to promote international collaborations in Unani medicine and AYUSH research and its outcome therein?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The details of funds allocated to Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM) and National Institute of Unani Medicine (NIUM), autonomous bodies under Ministry of Ayush, during the last five financial years (2020-21 to 2024-25) and in budget 2025-26 is as under:

(In crore)

Institute	FY-2020-21	FY-2021-22	FY-2022-23	FY-2023-24	FY-2024-25	FY-2025-26
CCRUM	164.05	157.73	175.05	174.10	197.05	214.50
NIUM	173.75	183.22	99.59	98.30	106.85	110.40

Further, the details of institution-wise, funds allocated by CCRUM towards research and development for Unani medicine during the last five financial years and proposed budget 2025-26 is placed at Annexure-I.

- (b) For integration of Ayush systems, including Unani with modern medicine, Ministry of Ayush is taking multiple initiatives, such as:

- i. The Ayush Vertical under Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), established by the Ministry of Ayush and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoH&FW), serves as a dedicated institutional mechanism for planning, monitoring, and

supervising Ayush-specific public health programs. This vertical provides technical support to both Ministries in developing strategies for public health, healthcare, Ayush education, and training.

ii. The Ayush vertical under DGHS has published Standard Treatment Guidelines (STG) on common musculoskeletal disorders, its prevention and management through Ayush systems including Unani system. To enhance the capacity of Ayush physicians, Ayush vertical has conducted National Level Master Training in collaboration of Central Health Education Bureau (CHEB) across all States on these developed STGs, ensuring their effective dissemination to end users.

iii. The Ministry of Ayush and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoH&FW) have jointly established Integrated Ayush Departments in Central Government Hospitals to promote integrative healthcare. As part of this initiative, the Department of Integrative Medicine has been set up and is operational at Vardhman Mahavir Medical College & Safdarjung Hospital and Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi.

iv. Government of India has adopted a strategy of Co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs), thus enabling the choice to the patients for different systems of medicines under a single window. The engagement of AYUSH doctors/ paramedics and their training is supported by the MoH&FW under National Health Mission (NHM), while the support for AYUSH infrastructure, equipment/ furniture and medicines are provided by the Ministry of Ayush under National AYUSH Mission (NAM) as shared responsibilities.

v. With a view to include Unani Medicine into mainstream of healthcare system in the country, the Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM) is providing healthcare facilities through relocation/extension center at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital-New Delhi, Deen Dayal Upadhyay (DDU) Hospital- New Delhi, All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)- New Delhi, Safdarjung Hospital-New Delhi, AYUSH Wellness Centre, President House, New Delhi, Jamshedjee Jeejeebhoy (JJ) Hospital- Mumbai and Extension Research Centre for Unani at Kannur, Kerala with a view to make Unani treatment facility accessible and affordable to the public.

(c) The Ministry of Ayush, developed the Central Sector Scheme for Promotion of International Cooperation for AYUSH. Under this scheme the Ministry provides support to Indian AYUSH drug Manufacturers/ Ayush Service providers to give boost to the export of AYUSH products and services; facilitates the International promotion, development and recognition of AYUSH systems of medicine; foster interaction of stakeholders and market development of AYUSH at international level; promote academics and research through the establishment of AYUSH Academic Chairs in foreign countries and holding training workshop/symposiums for promoting and strengthening awareness and interest about AYUSH Systems of Medicine at international level including Unani.

The Ministry of Ayush, Government of India has signed 24 Country-to-Country level MoUs, and 51 Institute-to-Institute level MoUs, to promote and strengthen traditional Indian Medicine Systems globally including Unani.

The CCRUM has signed following MoUs with international organizations for the promotion and research of Unani Medicine:

- i. School of Natural Medicine, University of Western Cape, South Africa
- ii. Hamdard University, Bangladesh for setting up of an academic Unani Chair for various scientific and academic collaborations.
- iii. Avicenna Tajik State Medical University, Dushanbe, Tajikistan An MoU for cooperation in Unani medicine.
- iv. Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran

An expert was deputed as Unani chair at University of Western Cape, South Africa for the period from June, 2012 to February, 2016. Unani Chair has been established at Hamdard University, Bangladesh. Exchange of expertise was done with Avicenna Tajikistan State Medical University, Tajikistan and Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran.

Annexure-I

Institution-wise detail of the funds allocated by CCRUM towards research and development
for Unani medicine during the last five financial years and in budget 2025-26

(Rs. in thousands)

S. No.	Name of State	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 (Tentative)	2025-26 (Proposed)
1	Andhra Pradesh						
	(i) CRU, Kurnool	9699	10579	3373	16432	24040	26490
2.	Assam (NER)						
	(i) RRC, Silchar	3762	4882	2909	16120	56850	35650
3	Bihar						
	(i) RRIUM, Patna	41947	38554	30484	36531	52550	63800
4.	Goa						
	(i) CRU, Ribandar, Goa	-	-	-	-	-	5000
5	Jammu & Kashmir						
	(i) RRIUM, Srinagar	72656	110739	106090	117789	125675	147750
6.	Karnataka						
	(i) CRU Banagalore	9888	9897	2821	13336	19325	21225
7.	Kerala						
	(i) CRU, Alwaye	7101	10262	911	9285	16325	19125
8.	Madhya Pradesh						
	(i) CRU, Burhanpur	13261	8009	2828	13058	21045	22990
	(ii) CRU, Bhopal	14307	20625	4684	23214	18975	20725
9.	Maharashtra						
	(i) RRIUM, Mumbai	39608	49077	40124	80232	63425	65700
10.	Manipur (NER)						
	(i) Clinical Pilot Project, Imphal	-		201	-	5000	5000
11.	New Delhi						
	(i) HAKILHRUM, New Delhi	29127	32066	5400	24735	40275	44975
	(ii) RRIUM, New Delhi	101462	94172	90313	101913	575577	262350
	(iii) CCRUM, Headquarters, New Delhi	795583	646825	1018189	702666	534185	575220
	(iv) DSRU, New Delhi	15789	15677	2181	14376	19075	20775
12.	Odisha						
	(i) RRIUM, Bhadrak	42850	55732	37205	38922	55825	70650
13	Tamil Nadu						
	(i). RRIUM,	73611	91418	78075	97885	106975	118450

	Chennai						
14.	Telangana						
	(i) NRIUMSD, Hyderabad	152276	180623	174762	228238	227430	287150
15.	Uttar Pradesh						
	(i) DSRI, Ghaziabad	23145	21304	4347	40777	32975	34775
	(ii) CRIUM, Lucknow	91133	97230	90471	88613	112325	109600
	(iii) RRC, Allahabad	20299	16831	4274	16261	30750	33300
	(iv) RRIUM, Aligarh	56105	59666	61106	64271	80350	85350
	(v) CRU, Meerut	23155	16322	4344	13346	27275	28225
16.	West Bengal						
	(i) RRIUM, Kolkata /Howrah	20126	19608	3825	18659	34275	40725
	Total	1656890	1610098	1768887	1776659	2280500	2145000

Abbreviations:

CRU: Clinical Research Unit

NER: North Eastern Region

RRIUM: Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine

HAKILHRUM: Hakim Ajmal Khan Institute for Literary & Historical Research in Unani Medicine

DSRU: Drug Standardisation Research Unit

NRIUMSD: National Research Institute of Unani Medicine for Skin Disorders

DSRI: Drug Standardisation Research Institute

CRIUM: Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine

RRC: Regional Research Centre