GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 5744 TO BE ANSWERED ON - 04/04/2025

"Establishment of Ayush Academic Chairs in Foreign Universities"

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

- a) whether the Government has established AYUSH academic chairs in Bangladesh, Australia, Mauritius, Latvia and Malaysia and if so, the details to these initiatives;
- b) whether these chairs are part of a broader strategy to promote AYUSH systems of medicine internationally and if so, the specific objectives being pursued through this initiative;
- c) whether the government has signed any Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with foreign institutions to facilitate research and academic exchange in AYUSH and if so, the number and details of such agreements;
- d) whether financial support is being provided to these foreign institutions hosting AYUSH chairs and if so, the total amount allocated for this purpose; and
- e) whether these initiatives are being expected to enhance global recognition and acceptance of AYUSH systems of medicine and if so, the details thereof along with the measures being taken to assess their impact?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH (SH. PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a)&(b) Yes Sir. The Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) Chair Programme is an initiative by the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, to promote and strengthen traditional Indian medicine systems (AYUSH) globally. Under this program, AYUSH Chairs are established in foreign universities and institutions to facilitate academic collaboration, research, and awareness about AYUSH systems. The Ministry of Ayush, has established AYUSH academic chairs in Bangladesh, Australia, Mauritius, Latvia and Malaysia.

These chairs are part of a broader strategy to promote AYUSH systems of medicine internationally. The specific objectives being pursued through this initiative are as under:

(i) Undertake academic and research activities related to AYUSH Systems of Medicine.

(ii) Design and finalize the curriculum for the short term/ medium term courses as per need of the University and AYUSH education guidelines in India.

(iii) Take tutorials/ lectures / practical sessions as per the curricular requirements of the University and will take part in the activities such as departmental seminars, conferences, faculty meetings, etc. as mutually agreed between University and the Chair.

(iv) Explore feasibility of undertaking collaborative research.

(v) Act as credible source of information related to AYUSH systems of medicine for the host country and other neighboring countries.

(vi) Liaise with Indian Embassy/ High Commission of India, host University and Ministry of AYUSH.

(vii) Conduct workshops/ seminars on AYUSH Systems in cooperation with the host organization.

(viii) Identify existing academic/ research programmes on AYUSH systems, their strength & gaps and provide inputs to the Ministry of Ayush and concerned institute in India.

(ix) Carry on other incidental responsibilities as may be determined by the host University such as providing clinical services for practical demonstration / clinical trainings at the attached Hospital/Clinic.

(x) Undertake any other activity as assigned by the Ministry of Ayush from time to time.

(xi) Deliver at least 2 public lectures in a year to be arranged by the University, which would be termed as AYUSH Lectures.

(c) The Ministry of Ayush, Government of India has signed 50 Institute-to-Institute Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with foreign institutions to facilitate research and academic exchange in AYUSH. The details of the Institutes with whom the Ministry of Ayush has signed the MoUs are placed at **Annexure.** (d) Ministry of Ayush does not provide any financial support to foreign institutions for hosting Chairs. Ministry bears the costs relating to salary, airfare and appropriate allowances of AYUSH Chair which is being issued to concerned Indian Mission. The Host University provides the following:

(i) Health Insurance to the candidate, his /her spouse and minor Child/ Children (limited to two);

(ii) Rent free furnished family accommodation, with all basic facilities/ utility charges;

(iii) Furnished office on campus and secretarial assistance for efficient functioning of the Chair.

(iv) Transportation or compensation for the transport during official assignments to the Chair/ Visiting faculty.

(e) These initiatives help to enhance global propagation, recognition, and acceptance of AYUSH systems of medicines. For assessing the impact of AYUSH Chair, a monthly report on activities undertaken is obtained from the chair. The evaluation of the chair's impact is being conducted based on the report.

Details of Institute-to-Institute level MoUs

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No.		•
1.	MoU between Central Council for Research in	USA
	Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Ministry of AYUSH	
	(on behalf of all the research councils- CCRAS,	
	CCRUM, CCRS, CCRH, CCRYN) and the University	
	of Mississippi, USA, on behalf of National Centre for	
	Natural Products Research (NCNPR) for cooperation	
	in the field of traditional medicine	
2.	MoU between CCRH and Royal London Hospital for	United
	Integrated Medicine, UK	Kingdom
3.	MoU between Central Council for Research in	Canada
	Homoeopathy (CCRH) and College of Homeopaths of	
	Ontario (CHO), Canada	
4.	United States Pharmacopoeia Convention and	USA
	Pharmacopoeia Commission of Indian Medicine	
5.	MoU on cooperation in the field of Research and	Argentina
	Education in Homeopathy Medicine was signed	
	between CCRH and Universidad Maimonides, Buenos	
	Aires, Argentina	x 1
6.	MoU on Cooperation in Research and Development in	Israel
	the field of Ayurvedic Science was signed between	
	Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences	
	(CCRAS) and the Medical Research Infrastructure and	
	Health Services fund of the Tel Aviv Sourasky medical	
7.	Institute (TASMC), Israel MoU between Central Council for Research in	Canada
/•	Ayurvedic Science, on Behalf of All Research	
	Councils, Ministry of AYUSH(Ayurveda, Yoga and	
	Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy),	
	Government of India located in New Delhi,	
	("CCRAS") and The Governors of the University of	
	Alberta as Represented by the Integrative Health	
	Institute Located in Edmonton, ALBERTA, Canada	
8.	MoU between National Institute of Ayurveda and	Malaysia
	Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, Kaula Lumpur,	-
	Malaysia in the field of Education, Training, Research,	
	Publication and Popularization of Ayurveda in	
	Malaysia	

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9.	MoU between Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian	USA
	Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM&H) and Central	
	Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) with	
	Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Convention of the	
	United States (HPCUS)	
10.	5 1 5	Germany
	(WissHom), Germany and Central Council for	
	Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH)	
11.		Brazil
	Education in Homoeopathy between Central Council	
	for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and Federal	
	University of Rio De Janerio (FURJ), Brazil	
12.	MoU on cooperation and collaboration in the field of	Germany
	Ayurveda between the All India Institute of Ayurveda,	
	(AIIA), Ministry of AYUSH and European Academy	
	of Ayurveda (Birstein), (REAA) Germany	
13.	MoU on Cooperation in the field of Research in	Israel
	Homeopathic Medicine was signed between Central	
	Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and	
	Centre for Integrative Complementary Medicine,	
	Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Jerusalem, Israel	
14.		Australia
	Homeopathy was signed between Central Council for	
	Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and National	
	Institute of Integrative Medicine (NIIM), Australia	
15.	MoU on Establishment of an Academic Collaboration	United
	in Ayurveda between All India Institute of Ayurveda	Kingdom
	(AIIA) and College of Medicine (UK) was signed	0
	during the visit of Hon'ble PM of India to UK	
16.	MoU on collaboration in the field of Ayurveda was	Austria
100	signed between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)	1 Iustilu
	and the Medical University of Graz, Graz Austria	
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17.	MoU on cooperation in the field of Unani medicine	Tajikistan
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	Unani Medicine (CCRUM) and State Educational	
	Establishment" Tajik State Medical University named	
	AbualiIbn Sino"	
18.		USA
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	collaboration in Ayurveda has been signed between All	
	India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Ministry of	

	AYUSH and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, USA	
19.	MoU CCRAS, Ministry of AYUSH and Department of Neurology and Complementary Medicine, Lutheran, Hospital Hattingen, Germany for Cooperation in the field of Research and Education in Ayurveda	Germany
20.	MoU between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) and Wester Sydney University (WSU), Australia	Australia
21.	MoU between MORARJI DESAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF YOGA (MDNIY) MINISTRY OF AYUSH, GOVT OF INDIA NEW DELHI and DIVINE VALUES SCHOOL, ECUADOR (DVSE)	Ecuador
22.	MoU between Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, (CCRAS) Ministry of AYUSH Government of the Republic of India and University of Debrecen, Hungary (UD) on the Intention of Establishment of European Institute of Ayurvedic Sciences (EIAS), Hungary	Hungary
23.	MoU between NIA & the University of West Indies for Collaboration in the field of Education, Training, Research, Treatment, Publication etc	West Indies
24.	An Agreement signed between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Ministry of Ayush and London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), UK for undertaking research on Ashwagandha for promoting recovery from Covid-19 in the UK.	United Kingdom
25.	MoU between Shimane University, Japan and All India Institute of Ayurveda	Japan
26.	MoU between Fizz, Frankfurt, Germany and All India Institue of Ayurveda	Germany
27.	MoC with Japan	Japan
28.	MoU between CCRUM and Hamdard University Bangladesh	Bangladesh

29.	MoU between CCRAS, Ministry of AYUSH and OCCAM, National Cancer Institute National Institutes of Health Department of Health and Human Services, Government of the United States of America	
30.	Memorandum of Understanding between Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Ministry of AYUSH, and The Institute for Social medicine, Epidemiology and the Health Economics, Charite University Medical Centre, Berlin Germany	Germany
31.	Institute for the History of Medicine, Robert Bosch Foundation, Stuttgart, Germany on Cooperation in the Field of Development of Museum on AYUSH System and Archives on Homoeopathy	Germany
32.	MoU between MORARJI DESAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF YOGA (MDNIY) MINISTRY OF AYUSH, GOVT OF INDIA NEW DELHI and Leaders Development Institute (LDI), Ministry of Sports Saudi Arabia	Saudi Arabia
33.	MoU between Rashtriya Ayurved Vidyapeeth (RAV) and Fundacion De Salud Ayurveda Prema, Argentina	Argentina
34.	MoU between AIIA and Future Vision Institute, Brazil and University of Sao Paulo Brazil	Brazil
35.	MoU between AIIA and The University General Hospital in La Reunion - CHU de La Reunion in the field of Ayurveda	
36.	MoU between AIIA, The Fedral University of Rio De Jenerio (UFRJ) and The Brazilian Academic Consortium for Integrative Health (CABSIN), Brazil	Brazil
37.	MoU between National Institute of Ayurveda Jaipur and Philippines institute of traditional and Alternative Healthcare, (PITHAC)Philippines	Philippines
38.	MoU between All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) and University Health Netwrok (UHN), Canada	Canada

39.	Agreement on Co-operation in collaborative research	Romania
	in the field of Ayurveda and Siddha between	
	CCRAS, Romanian Society of	
	Medicine and Suraj Ayurveda Clinic and Research	
	Centre Pune.	
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40.	MoU between CCRAS and PHFI for Ayush- WHO-	WHO
	PHFI collaborative project entitled Assessment of integration of AVUSH System into the public health	
	integration of AYUSH System into the public health system for combating COVID-19.	
	system for combating COVID-19.	
41.	India Yoga Center (IYC), Korea	Korea
42.	MoU between AIIA and UCMH, Havana Cuba The	Cuba
	Establishment of an Academic Collaboration In	
	Ayurveda	
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43.	MoU between AIIA and National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)	Japan
	Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)	
44.	MoU Between MDNIY and Sarv Yoga International	Italy
	Italy	
45.	MoU Between ITRA and National Institute of Health,	Peru
	Republic of Peru	
46.	MoU between AIIA and Kvarner Health Tourism	Croatia
47.	Cluster, Croatia MoU between NIA and Department of Thai Traditional	Thailand
	and Alternative Medicine	mananu
48.		Brazil
	Vajera Foundation and Associated Institutions	
49.		South Africa
	Council of South Africa (AHPCSA)	
50.	A Tripartite MoU between Charles University Czech	Czech
	Republic with NIA, Jaipur and MDNIY New Delhi	Republic
	was signed on 17.07.2024 on the Establishment of	
	Academic Collaboration in Ayurveda and Yoga	