

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 759
ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025**

AYUSH Visa for Foreign Nationals

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the specific guidelines established for AYUSH Visa including maximum duration of stay, extension provisions and the criteria fixed for treatment eligibility thereof;
- (b) whether any mandatory requirements have been set regarding medical insurance and financial guarantees for AYUSH Visa applicants and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of AYUSH Visas issued since its introduction along with the most common treatments sought thereof, country-wise;
- (d) whether any monitoring mechanism has been established to track the experiences of foreign patients under AYUSH Visa and if so, the details and the findings thereof; and
- (e) the details of foreigners visiting India for availing Health treatment, State/UT-wise and treatment-wise, especially in Himachal Pradesh?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Government has introduced a separate category of Ayush Visa for foreigners and their attendants (other than a Pakistani national) visiting India for availing treatment under Ayush systems of medicine on 27th July, 2023. Ayush Visa is available under four sub-

categories i.e. (i) Ayush Visa (AY-1), (ii) Ayush Attendant Visa (AY2), (iii) e-Ayush Visa and (iv) e-Ayush Attendant Visa. The initial period of validity of Ayush is up to a period of one year or till the period of treatment, whichever is less with maximum of three entries during the one year period. Further, it can be extended on yearly basis up to a maximum period of five years from the date of issue of initial Ayush Visa by the concerned Foreign Regional Registration Office (FRRO)/ Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) on production of Medical Certificate/ advice from a recognized hospital in India. Similarly, e-Ayush visa is granted for a period of up to 60 days from the date of first entry into India. Extension in case of e-Ayush visa may be granted for a period of up to six months by the FRRO/FRO concerned, on case-to-case basis on merits of each case.

Ayush Visa is granted to a foreigner whose sole purpose is to seek treatment through Ayush systems like therapeutic care and Wellness in a Hospital/Wellness Centre accredited and registered with any Government authority (ies) concerned or National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH)/ National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH)/ National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) accredited hospitals providing Ayush services.

(b) An Ayush Visa is granted to a foreigner who is holding sufficient money to spend during his/her stay in India including the expenses for such treatment. The concerned Mission/Post shall satisfy itself before granting such visa to the foreign national. However, there is no insurance requirement for applying Ayush Visa.

(c) As of February 4, 2025, a total of 1,507 Ayush visas (excluding Attendant visas) have been issued to foreign nationals since January 1, 2024. The most commonly availed treatments under the Ayush Visa include Ayurveda treatments, wellness therapies, and Panchakarma therapies. The country-wise details of Ayush visas issued are provided in **Annexure I**.

(d) No such monitoring mechanism has been established to track the experiences of foreign patients under Ayush Visa.

(e) Three Ayush Visas have been issued for availing Panchakarma Treatment in Himachal Pradesh. The details of Ayush visas issued, categorized by State/ UT and type of medical treatment, are provided in **Annexure II**.

Annexure I

Country wise Regular Ayush Visa

Nationality	2024	2025	Grand Total
SAUDI ARABIA	21	3	24
TURKEY	18	1	19
KUWAIT	13	4	17
YEMEN	13	2	15
SRI LANKA	8	3	11
BULGARIA	10	1	11
LEBANON	7	2	9
OMAN	7		7
SERBIA	5		5
KENYA	4		4
ZIMBABWE	2		2
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	2		2
TANZANIA	2		2
SEYCHELLES	2		2
MOROCCO	2		2
MAURITIUS	2		2
MALAWI	2		2
DJIBOUTI	2		2
ZAMBIA	1		1
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	1		1
SYRIA	1		1
SWEDEN	1		1
SUDAN	1		1
JORDAN	1		1
JAPAN	1		1
HONG KONG	1		1
GERMANY	1		1
FRANCE		1	1
CANADA	1		1
Grand Total	132	17	149

Country wise e-Ayush Visa

Country Name	2024	2025
AUSTRALIA	16	4
AUSTRIA	9	0
AZERBAIJAN	0	2
BELGIUM	10	5
BRAZIL	2	0
BULGARIA	11	1
CANADA	10	2
CYPRUS	0	2
CZECH	14	0
DENMARK	6	0
ESTONIA	1	0
FINLAND	3	1
FRANCE	181	85
GERMANY	148	37
HUNGARY	2	0
IRELAND	5	0
ISRAEL	40	5
ITALY	18	3
JAPAN	5	2
KAZAKHSTAN	2	2
KENYA	2	8
LATVIA	1	0
LIECHTENSTEIN	1	0
LUXEMBOURG	0	1
MALAYSIA	3	1
MAURITIUS	2	0
MEXICO	1	0
MONACO	0	2
NETHERLANDS	6	6
NEW ZEALAND	3	0
NIGER	1	0
NORWAY	6	1
OMAN	16	5
PHILLIPPINES	1	0
POLAND	5	0
PORTUGAL	12	3
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA	1	0
REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA	2	1
ROMANIA	5	0
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	4	0
SAUDI ARABIA	70	8
SENEGAL	1	0

SINGAPORE	2	0
SPAIN	4	0
SWEDEN	6	3
SWITZERLAND	409	46
TANZANIA	2	1
UKRAINE	2	0
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	5	0
UNITED KINGDOM	17	5
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	27	10
URUGUAY	1	0
UZBEKISTAN	3	0
ZIMBABWE	2	0
Total	1106	252

Annexure II

State-wise Medical Treatment under Ayush e-Visa

S. No.	State	Treatment	Count
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Ksharasutra	1
2.	Delhi	Panchakarma, Oncology, Kidney Treatment, Infertility, Gynecology, Detoxification	10
3.	Goa	Yoga Treatment, Ayurveda	3
4.	Gujarat	Whole Body Health Check-up, Urethral stricture/Utarbasti, Neuro, Ayurvedic Treatment	8
5.	Haryana	Skin Treatment, Panchakarma, Cancer, Cardiac Treatment, Eye Surgery	6
6.	Himachal Pradesh	Panchakarma Treatment	3
7.	Karnataka	Panchakarma, Ksharasutra, Kaya Chikitsa, Spine/Shoulder Treatment, Ayurvedic Surgery	68
8.	Kerala	Ayurveda treatment, Wellness Treatment, Osteoarthritis, Spinal Injury, Stroke, Physiotherapy, Panchakarma	1204
9.	Maharashtra	Panchakarma, Neuro Rehabilitation, Ayurvedic Treatment	17
10.	Rajasthan	Ayurveda Panchakarma	1
11.	Tamil Nadu	Panchakarma, Ayurvedic Treatment, Radioactive Iodine Therapy	21
12.	Telangana	Neurology, Gynecology, Eye Treatment, Gastroenterology	10
13.	Uttar Pradesh	Liver Transplant	2
14.	Uttarakhand	Panchakarma, Detox	4
Total			1358