GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 873 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2025

AYUSH College in Odisha

873. Shri Sukanta Kumar Panigrahi:

Will the Minister of AYUSH

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to establish new AYUSH colleges in the State of Odisha and in the district of Kandhamal, to cater to the increasing demand for AYUSH education and healthcare services;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of such proposed colleges including the location, infrastructure and courses to be offered;
- (c) the timeline for the establishment of these colleges; and
- (d) the steps being taken to address the growing demand for AYUSH education and healthcare services including NABL laboratory & related Research in Odisha and budgetary provision for the next five years?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b) Public Health being a State subject, establishment of new Ayush colleges in the State comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments including Odisha. However, under National Ayush Mission (NAM), there is a provision of financial assistance to the State/UT Government for the establishment of new Ayush Colleges in the States where availability of Ayush teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector and State/UT Government may submit their proposal through State Annual Action Plan SAAP to avail this financial assistance. State Government of Odisha has not sought support for any new Ayush College under NAM scheme.
- (c) Question does not arise.

(d) The primary responsibility to address the growing demand for AYUSH education and healthcare services including National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) & related Research lies with the State Government. However, under NAM, financial assistance is provided to all State/UT Governments including Odisha, as per their requirement to support the growing demand for AYUSH education and healthcare services through various component of NAM scheme. However, there is no provision available under NAM scheme for supporting NABL laboratory & related Research. The budgetary allocation/resource pool is earmarked to all State/UT Governments including Odisha every year as per guidelines and based on the budget allocation made for NAM scheme.
