

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 960
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th JULY, 2025**

Special AYUSH Healthcare Infrastructure in Amritsar

960. Shri Gurjeet Singh Aujla:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that Amritsar being a critical border district adjoining the Pakistan zero-line, lacks sufficient AYUSH healthcare infrastructure and Ayurvedic manufacturing units despite growing demand in rural and border areas and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government is planning to provide a special development package under the AYUSH mission to expand production units, wellness centres and Ayurvedic industries in and around Amritsar and if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Public health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to ensure sufficient Ayush healthcare infrastructure, wellness Centres & Ayurvedic manufacturing units in the State of Punjab including Amritsar District lies with respective State Government. However, the Ministry of Ayush is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments including Punjab for the overall development and promotion of Ayush systems of medicine across the country by providing financial assistance under different activities as per the proposal received through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs). The National Ayush Mission (NAM), inter alia, makes provision for the following activities:

- i) Operationalization of Ayush Health and Wellness Centres (AHWCs) – now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush)

- ii) Co-location of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs), and District Hospitals (DHs)
- iii) Upgradation of existing Government Ayush Hospitals
- iv) Construction/Upgradation of Ayush Dispensaries under government or panchayat control
- v) Establishment of new 10/30/50-bedded Integrated Ayush Hospitals
- vi) Supply of essential Ayush medicines to government hospitals and dispensaries
- vii) Ayush Public Health Programmes focusing on community outreach
- viii) Establishment of new Government Ayush Colleges in underserved states
- ix) Infrastructure support to Ayush educational institutions, including UG/PG/add-on/para-medical/pharmacy courses

As per the proposal received through SAAPs, Grant-in-aid of Rs. 6902.92 lakhs has been released from 2014–15 to 2024–25 for the implementation of various approved activities of SAAPs in different districts of Punjab including Amritsar.
