

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5648
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2026**

Shortage of AYUSH Doctors and Pharmacists

5648. Shri Ummeda Ram Beniwal:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an acute shortage of trained AYUSH doctors and pharmacists across the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of vacant positions in Government hospitals and health centres;
- (c) whether the Government has delayed recruitment under the National AYUSH Mission; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Public Health being a State subject, the primary responsibility to assess the number of vacant positions in Ayush facilities including Government hospitals & health centres to analyze status of availability of trained man-power including Ayush doctors and pharmacists across the country and conduct timely recruitment under the National Ayush Mission (NAM), lies with the respective State/UT Government. However, under NAM, the components for setting up of up to 10/30/50 bedded Integrated Ayush Hospitals, upgradation of exclusive standalone Ayush Hospitals, operationalization of Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) and Ayush Public Health Programmes inter-alia are having provision for deployment of man-power for various posts. Accordingly, State/UT Governments may avail the financial assistance by submitting suitable proposals through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the provisions of the NAM guideline.
