GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1571 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH MARCH, 2016

AYUSH CLINICS

1571. SHRI D.K. SURESH: SHRI SULTAN AHMED: SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open AYUSH Clinics under the Central Government Health Service (CGHS) across the country, including AIIMS and Safdarjung Hospitals in New Delhi and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to empanel the Ayurvedic Clinics of the country in the CGHS panel and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of number of applications pending/received for empanelment/opening of Ayurvedic Clinics under CGHS in the country, State/UT-wise and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether there is imbalance in AYUSH Clinics and number of patients visiting those clinics in the country including Delhi and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make the functioning of AYUSH Clinics better?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) & (b): Presently, there is no proposal to open AYUSH clinics under CGHS and to include all the Ayurvedic clinics of the country in the CGHS panel.

(c): No applications received / pending for empanelment / opening of Ayurvedic clinics under CGHS.

(d): No such imbalance has been reported in AYUSH dispensaries/clinics under CGHS.

(e): Following steps have been taken to make the functioning of AYUSH dispensaries/clinics better under CGHS:

- I. Contractual doctors have been appointed to overcome the shortage of regular doctors.
- II. Existing Rate Contract has been extended to ensure regular supply/ availability of medicines.
- III. In case of non-availability of medicines, beneficiaries are also permitted to purchase the medicines from open market and claim reimbursement.
- IV. Unani Medical Store deport and Homeopathic Store Deport have been computerised.