

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 998
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH APRIL, 2016**

SUCCESS OF WORLD YOGA DAY

998. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)** be pleased to state:

- (a) the extent to which the success of the 'International Yoga Day' held in June, 2015 was achieved worldwide;
- (b) whether there is any plan to train a large number of youth in yoga for sending them to various countries in order to spread yoga with a view to encourage other countries to adopt yoga in their lifestyle and school curriculum; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a): The International Day of Yoga celebrated on 21st June, 2015 across the world was a grand success as millions of enthusiastic people participated in the event, successfully organised in 192 member countries of the United Nations.

(b) & (c): To ensure credibility of knowledge and skills of yoga experts, a scheme for voluntary certification of yoga professionals was launched on 22nd June, 2015, by the Ministry of AYUSH in collaboration with Quality Council of India (QCI), during the valedictory session of "International Conference on Yoga for Holistic Health". While on the one hand, the scheme aims at promoting authentic yoga as a preventive and health promoting drugless therapy; on the other, it would certify the competence level of the professionals, which would help their deployment within and outside the country.

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