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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1089 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2016

HOLISTIC METHOD OF AYUSH TREATMENT

1089. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide holistic method of AYUSH treatment under one umbrella for treating different lifestyle diseases;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to provide such treatment;
- (c) whether the Government has evaluated the reasons for increase in rate of lifestyle diseases and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has received any requests from the States for financial assistance to implement holistic treatment centres in various hospitals; and
- (e) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Ministry of AYUSH has launched AYUSH intervention in National Programme for Prevention & Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS)" in one District each in 6 States. Integration of Ayurveda has been initiated in 3 Districts viz. Bhilwara (Rajasthan), Surendranagar (Gujarat), and Gaya (Bihar). Homoeopathic intervention is going on in two States, Krishna district (Andhra Pradesh) and Darjeeling District (West Bengal). Unani intervention is going on in Lakhimpur Kheri in Uttar Pradesh. Yoga is an integral part in all the 6 districts.

Under AYUSH services component of National AYUSH Mission (NAM), there is provision of co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centers (PHCs), Community Health Centers (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs) where services for treatment of various ailments including lifestyle diseases have been envisaged. In addition, there is also provision for setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital. In this regard, Grant-in-Aid has been released to the State Governments with respect to their proposals, as per the entitlement under NAM.

- (c): Though no nationwide risk factor study has been carried out specifically to find out the exact cause of increase in the rate of lifestyle diseases, it is believed that the following are some of the risk factors:
 - i) Tobacco and excessive alcohol use
 - ii) Unhealthy diet including excessive salt
 - iii) Sedentary habits, inadequate physical activities etc.
- (d) & (e): Yes, the Ministry has received 35 proposals from 21 States for financial assistance to setup up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH hospitals under the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) of AYUSH. Out of that 25 proposals have been approved by the Ministry to 16 States. In addition, proposals from Kerala for opening AYUSH holistic centers in 6 districts namely Trivandrum, Kozhikode, Kollam, Ernakulam, Thrissur & Malappuram have been supported by Government of India for an amount of Rs.49.44 Lakhs.