

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3393
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SHORTAGE OF DOCTORS

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of doctors and paramedical staff in the AYUSH system of medicine, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the personnel/authority responsible for identifying these shortages and undertaking recruitment;
- (c) the reasons for the significant shortfall in treatment modalities, Yoga and preventive healthcare services;
- (d) whether it is a fact that the shortcomings in the digital and referral system still leaves patient referral tracking, digital records and follow-up mechanisms deficient; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) to (c) As Public Health is a State subject, assessment of adequate number of doctors/paramedical staff in the Ayush system of medicine and their recruitment comes under the purview of respective State/UT Governments. Total Registered Practitioners of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy in the country State/ UT wise is furnished at Annexure. Ministry of Ayush has undertaken several initiatives to strengthen Ayush healthcare services across the country. These include the establishment and strengthening of 12 National Institutes including All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA) and 05 Research Councils under the Ministry for promoting quality education, research and patient care. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National Ayush Mission (NAM) is being implemented through the State/UT Governments to support their efforts in providing effective and equitable Ayush healthcare services by improving access to Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy. Yoga is further promoted through nationwide awareness campaigns, including the observance of the International Day of Yoga and initiatives of the Yoga Certification Board. Ayush medical education is also strengthened through the regulatory framework of the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) and the National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH), which prescribes minimum standards relating to teaching faculty, hospitals, infrastructure and other academic requirements to ensure the delivery of quality medical education and healthcare services.

(d) and (e) The Ministry of Ayush, under the Ayush Grid initiative, has developed the Ayush Hospital Management Information System (AHMIS) for adoption across Ayush healthcare facilities. AHMIS is compliant with the national digital health ecosystem under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) and facilitates patient registration, standardized diagnostics, clinical service delivery, and comprehensive health data management. The system also supports effective monitoring, reporting, and referral functionality.

Annexure

**State wise Registered Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy
Practitioners (Doctors) list**

Sr. No.	State Name	Ayurveda	Unani	Siddha	Sowa-Rigpa	Homoeopathy	Total Number of registered practitioners
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2460	794	0	0	4229	7483
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	142	2	0	7	623	774
3.	Assam	1780	0	0	0	2095	3875
4.	Bihar	2070	2969	0	0	36718	41757
5.	Chhattisgarh	5531	106	0	0	2343	7980
6.	Delhi	5791	3163	0	0	6408	15362
7.	Goa	879	1	0	0	1046	1925
8.	Gujarat	29957	253	0	0	39978	70188
9.	Haryana	11920	74	0	0	1790	13784
10.	Himachal Pradesh	6881	5	0	0	725	7611
11.	Jammu	2393	2602	0	78	491	5564
12.	Jharkhand	332	96	0	0	1159	1587
13.	Karnataka	45458	2122	15	0	16202	63797
14.	Kerala	11086	220	356	0	16333	27995
15.	Madhya Pradesh	18094	2492	0	0	24681	45267
16.	Maharashtra	111880	9676	1	0	91781	213338
17.	Meghalaya	162	0	0	0	482	644
18.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	188	188
19.	Mizoram	28	0	0	0	0	28
20.	Odisha	5102	66	0	0	10511	15679
21.	Punjab	13529	53	0	0	4386	17968
22.	Rajasthan	13021	1380	0	0	10093	24494
23.	Tamil Nadu	3112	763	8014	0	9705	21594
24.	Telangana	4690	2792	0	0	6025	13507
25.	Tripura	122	0	0	0	809	931
26.	U.T. Chandigarh	0	0	0	0	202	202
27.	Uttar Pradesh	46086	17995	0	0	41944	106025
28.	Uttarakhand	5146	219	0	10	1021	6396
29.	West Bengal	2522	400	0	0	32617	35539
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0	0	0	11	11
31.	Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0	3	3
32.	Manipur	0	0	0	0	101	101
33.	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	11	11
34.	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	13	13
35.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	4	4
36.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0
37.	Leh Ladakh	0	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	350174	48242	8386	95	364729	771626

Sources: NCISM and NCH