

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2567  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2023**

**TRAINING IN ALLOPATHY TO THE AYUSH DOCTORS**

**2567. SHRI GNANATHIRAVIAM S.:**

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is contemplating on the appointment of AYUSH doctors in villages in view of the scarcity of allopathy doctors in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that most AYUSH doctors deployed in the rural areas also treat the patients with allopathy system and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide training in allopathy system to AYUSH doctors to make them more useful for the people particularly in rural areas;
- (d) if so, the time by which such decision(s) will be taken into consideration; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH  
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

(a) to (e) Mainstreaming of AYUSH is one of the core strategies in National Health Mission which seeks to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care to the population.

Under National Health Mission (NHM), engagement of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) doctors/ paramedics is supported, provided they are co-located with existing District Hospitals (DHs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) with priority given to remote PHCs and CHCs.

Mainstreaming of AYUSH has been taken up in 13,815 AYUSH facilities co-located under NHM (7,011 PHCs, 3,051 CHCs, 460 Districts Hospitals, 281 Other than CHC at or above block level but below district level and 3,021 other health facilities above SC but below block level). 28,082 AYUSH doctors and 4,285 AYUSH Paramedics are in-position in various co-located health facilities (as per NHM-MIS as on 31.03.2023)

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