

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ADEQUATE RESEARCH FACILITIES FOR AYURVEDA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ayurveda System of Medicine has been provided adequate research facilities for its promotion and development;
- (b) if so, the steps taken in the last financial year by the Government;
- (c) whether number of research centres are sufficient for the development of this system and proper method is in place for selecting researchers in this field;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (e) The Government has established the Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha (CCRAS), exclusively for carrying out Research and Development in the Ayurveda and Siddha Systems of Medicine. Apart from the research activities being carried out by the CCRAS, through its 38 research units, other Institutions, namely, National Institute for Ayurveda, Jaipur, Institute for Post Graduate Teaching and Research in Ayurveda, Jamnagar etc. are also carrying out research activities in the field of Ayurveda. During the year 2005-06, the Government has initiated a Golden Triangle Project (GTP) wherein Department of AYUSH, CSIR & ICMR are working together to develop Ayurvedic Medicine for the identified diseases of National Importance. Work on Rasayana medicines and Arthritis, sleep disorder, memory disorder, urinary disorder and cardiac disorders have been started. It is proposed to carry forward this research programme in the 11th Five Year Plan as well.