

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF INDIAN SYSTEMS OF MEDICINES

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Systems of Medicines i.e. Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy are effective for the treatment of chronic diseases prevailing in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the promotion and standardisation of the Indian Systems of Medicines across the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b) Yes. Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy have been found to be effective in treatment of various chronic diseases up to certain extent like Arthritis, Skin Diseases, Diabetes, Psoriasis, Eczema, Coronary Artery Diseases, Bronchial Asthma, Bronchitis, Hypertension, Anxiety Neurosis, Depression, Digestive Disorders, Obesity, Amoebiasis, Neurosis, Insomnia, Post Polio Paralysis, Hemiplegia, Monoplegia, Paraplegia, Sinusitis and Infective Hepatitis, etc.

(c) Government of India has set up Pharmacopeia Commission for Indian Medicine (PLIM), particularly for developing the pharmacopeial standards of Ayurvedic, Unani and Siddha drugs which will help in promoting the Indian Systems of Medicine. The Government has, in addition, launched multimedia campaigns for popularizing Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy.