

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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SIDDHA SYSTEM OF MEDICINE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken/proposed by the Government for the promotion and development of Siddha system of medicine in the country;
- (b) the funds earmarked and allocated for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the outcome of various measures taken by the Government to promote and develop Siddha treatment in the country;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up certain institutes including a council to promote development of Siddha medicines; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. GANDHISELVAN)

(a) Government has taken following important steps for the promotion and development of Siddha system of medicine in the country:-

Establishment of National Institute of Siddha (NIS), Chennai.

Establishment of a separate Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS).

Publication of Pharmacopoeia exclusively for Siddha.

Incorporation of Siddha formulations in Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL).

Research work of Siddha uploaded on AYUSH Research Portal for dissemination globally.

Guidelines for standardization and testing of Siddha drugs by Pharmacopoeia Laboratory for Indian Medicine.

(b) The funds allocated to CCRS and NIS, Chennai during last three years and current year is given in Annexure.

(c) Following are important outcomes:-

Quality PG education in Siddha System is provided in National Institute of Siddha (NIS). The Institute is also providing Ph.D. degree in Siddha.

Pharmacopoeia standards are available for Siddha drugs.

In 2009, multi-centric trial on anemia with interventional drug Annabedhi Chendoorum has been conducted in more than 4 centers.

Siddha system of medicine has brought out different treatment protocols for Chikunguniya. Documentation of treatment claims collected have been vetted and published as a technical report - Management of Chikunguniya through Ayurveda and Siddha.

Clinical Trials initiated for diseases such as Diabetes Mellitus, Osteoarthritis, Psoriasis, Hepatitis, Fibroid uterus, Urolithiasis, Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy and Varmam Treatment for Cervical Spondylosis.

For Psoriasis, 777 Oil in 1987.

All clinical Institutes under CCRS have separate Geriatric Clinics since 2009. More than 20,000 cases have been benefited.

(d) & (e) A separate Central Council for Research in Siddha has already been established by bifurcating Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha in 2010.