GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) research centres/ institutes in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the major research projects undertaken and the outcome thereof along with the funds allocated and spent for the purpose during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether any study/research has been conducted to develop the treatment/cure of Influenza-A H1N1 and Tuberculosis under the AYUSH system of medicine, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to open more research centres/institutes in the country including a Regional Research Centre in Unani medicine in Assam and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the number of proposals for setting up /upgradation of AYUSH research centres received and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon during the said period State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

- (a): 81 research institutes/centres are functioning under the five (05) Central Research Councils of the Ministry of AYUSH, namely Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) and Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH). The details are given in Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): Research Councils have undertaken large number of Projects on various diseases. Major projects are mostly multicentric covering more than one state. The major ones along with formulations are Psoriasis (777 Oil); Anti-malarial (AYUSH 64); Anti-epileptic (AYUSH-56); Paediatric care (AYUSH Bala Rakshak Leham); Iron deficiency Anaemia (Annabedhi Chenduram); Vitiligo (Bars); Eczema(Nar-e-farsi/Daus Sadaf/ Psoriasis); Infective Hepatitis (Iltehab-e-ksabid); Osteoarthritis (Waja-ul-Mafasil) and Bronchial Asthma (UNIM352). Studies in respect of above projects have been completed. The results have also shown that Homoeopathy has a positive role to decrease viral load in HIV +ve patients, increase CD4 Count and improve the quality of life.

A preliminary study conducted by CCRUM in collaboration with Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi on Pulmonary Tuberculosis (Diq-e-Revi) have shown significant effects of Unani drugs as immunomodulator leading to better and early resolution of lesions. Moreover, for research in Tuberculosis, CCRUM has signed an MOU with ICMR for collaborative project. Collaborative studies on influenza like illness (ILI) and H1N1, conducted by CCRH, during pandemic of H1N1 in 2009 resulted in identification of specific homoeopathic medicines. A multicentric randomized placebo controlled trial with individualized homoeopathic treatment in ILI has also been conducted.

Further details are available on the website i.e. www.ayushportal.nic.in.

The details of funds allocated and spent by the Research Councils during the last three years and current year are given at Annexure-II.

(d) & (e): The Central Research Councils decide on the setting up of new Research Centers/ Institutes from time to time based on research priority, availability of human and material resources, willingness of the State Government to provide support in the form of land etc. Upgradation of existing research institutes/centres is an ongoing process. Steps have been taken to upgrade the laboratories of the Research institutes/ centres.

The details are as below:

(i) Hakim Ajmal Khan Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine by amalgamating existing centre of the Council namely Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine, Drug Standardization Research Unit and Literary Research Institute of Unani Medicine (LRIUM),

New Delhi; at the campus of Ayurvedic and Unani Tibbia College, Karol Bagh, New Delhi.

- (ii) Clinical Research Unit of Homoeopathy, Sambalpur (Odisha) and Gorakhpur (UP).
- (iii) Setting up of Central Research Institute of Yoga and Naturopathy at Jajjhar (Haryana) and Nagmangla (Karnatka).
- (iv) The State Governments of West Bengal and Odisha have offered land for establishing Central Research Institutes of Yoga and Naturopathy.
- (v) The Central Council for Unani Medicine is developing Regional Research Centre of Unani Medicine, Silchar, Assam. Construction work has already started.