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

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

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

- (a) whether a recent survey undertaken by the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) has revealed that people prefer allopathy treatment from private doctors and if so, the reaction of the Government thereon;
- (b) the funds allocated for AYUSH along with its utilisation during the last three years and the current year, State/ UT-wise; and
- (c) whether a large number of posts of doctors, specialists, technicians and other para medical staff of AYUSH are lying vacant in the Government institutions and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken/being taken to fill the vacant posts expeditiously?

## Answer

a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 168\* FOR 31ST JULY, 2015

(a) National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) has undertaken a survey on social consumption in India on Health in its 71st round conducted during January – June 2014. As per key indicators released recently by NSSO for the 71st round, it is estimated that about 90% of the people have received treatment from Allopathy and about 6% of the people have received treatment from Indian Systems of Medicine (including Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha), Homoeopathy and Yoga & Naturopathy.

Further, it is pertinent to mention that NSS in its key results have not specifically mentioned about the allopathic treatment received from Private Doctors. It is also estimated that about 71% people in rural areas and about 78% people in urban areas have received treatment from private doctors/clinic and private hospitals in the country irrespective of system of medicine (including allopathy and AYUSH). As regard to reaction of the Government, it may be mentioned that taking treatment from private or public (Government) institutions is the choice of the people.

- (b) The funds allocated for AYUSH along with its utilization during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise is at ANNEXURE-I.
- (c) The statement showing for vacant posts in the AYUSH Institutions, under Ministry of AYUSH and steps taken/being taken are at ANNEXURE II. …..