

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2809
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH DECEMBER, 2018**

SHORTAGE OF YOGA TEACHERS

**2809. SHRI HARISH CHANDRA ALIAS HARISH DWIVEDI:
SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:
SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:**

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

- (a) whether any steps have been taken to address the shortage of Yoga teachers in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard in the country, if so, the details thereof, Statewise including Chhattisgarh;
- (c) whether any special steps have been taken by the Government to promote yoga in the country;
- (d) whether the Government is preparing or implementing any action plan for recruiting yoga teachers and setting up medical centres to promote yoga and naturopathy; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the number of yoga teachers recruited so far during the period 2016-2018, State-wise including Bihar?

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

(a): Yes, Ministry of AYUSH had launched the scheme for certification of Yoga Professionals in 2015 which was managed by QCI. In 2018, Ministry of AYUSH established Yoga Certification Board under its Autonomous Body called Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, which took over this work.

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At present 2 levels of certification are offered for Yoga Professionals as follows:-

Level 1-Yoga Instructor and
Level-2 – Yoga Teacher.

Yoga Certification:-

Level-1-Yoga Protocol Instructor
Level-2-Yoga Wellness Instructor
Level-3-Yoga Teacher Evaluator

Norms for the same are under revision.

Yoga Certification Board has approved Accreditation of Yoga Institutions/Centers which will also conduct courses and Assessment of Yoga Professionals for producing Certified Yoga Professionals.

(b): No such survey has been conducted by the Ministry of AYUSH.

(c): Yes, special steps have been taken by the Government to promote yoga in the country. The details of the same are given at **Annexure**.

(d) & (e): No such action plan is presently under preparation or implementation.

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Steps taken by Government to promote Yoga in the Country:

(I) Ministry of AYUSH

- (a) National AYUSH Mission (NAM)
- i. Co-location of AYUSH facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs) including Yoga & Naturopathy.
 - ii. Up gradation of exclusive State Government AYUSH Hospitals and Dispensaries including Yoga & Naturopathy.
 - iii. Setting up of up to 50 bedded integrated AYUSH Hospital including Yoga & Naturopathy.
 - iv. Up gradation of State Government Educational Institutions including Yoga & Naturopathy.
 - v. Setting up of new State Government AYUSH Educational Institutions including Yoga & Naturopathy in the State where it is not available.
 - vi. Under the flexible components of the scheme of NAM, provision has been made for Grant-in-aid to the Yoga Wellness centres.

(II) Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), New Delhi

- a) Running Central Research Institute of Yoga & Naturopathy (CRIYN), Rohini, Delhi.
- b) Collaborative Research centres.
- c) Conducting multi-centric research studies.
- d) Establishment of OPD of Yoga & Naturopathy.
- e) Training, Propagation and Promotional Activities through participation in Health melas/ exhibition.
- f) Celebration of International Day of Yoga by organizing One Month Yoga Training Programme in all districts of India.
- g) Scheme of financial assistance to establish or run Yoga & Naturopathy Clinics/Hospitals.
- h) Organising Yoga Fests in different States.
- i) Setting up of Yoga Parks.

(III) Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY), New Delhi

- a) Running Yoga OPD and providing Yoga treatment in 19 CGHS Wellness Centre and 4 Yoga Therapy Centres in Tertiary/ Allopathy Hospitals.
- b) Conducting Certificate, Diploma & Degree Course in Yoga
- c) International Day of Yoga (IDY) is being celebrated every year on 21st June to create mass awareness of Yoga among the public.
- d) Conducting Seminars/ Conference/ Workshops and Special Lecture Series to create awareness about Yoga among the people.
- e) Running Yoga Centres at 4 Sports Authority of India (SAI) Stadia.