

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3989
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH JANUARY, 2019**

CLINICAL TRIALS OF MARIJUANA

3989. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences observed positive results in clinical trials of Marijuana as a curative drug for cancer patients;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering amending the NDPS Act to legalise/decriminalise Marijuana, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the number of studies done till now on Marijuana as a viable drug for cancer?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), an autonomous Research Council under Ministry of AYUSH, has not conducted any clinical trial of Marijuana as a curative drug for cancer.
- (c): At present, no such proposal is under consideration.
- (d): The Research Councils under the Ministry of AYUSH, viz. Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) & Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS), have so far not conducted any study on Marijuana as a viable drug for cancer.

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