

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.-4968
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01/04/2022**

DIALOGUE BETWEEN DIFFERENT SYSTEMS OF MEDICAL TREATMENT

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Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has ever taken any concrete steps to organise long-term dialogue between the practitioners of different systems of medical treatment to lay a path ahead to treat patients effectively suffering with diseases of serious nature;
- (b) if not, the views of the Government on this proposal to keep human beings free from illness;
- (c) whether the Government would set a high-level working group of medical experts and representatives of premier research institutions belonging to different systems of medicinal treatment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTRY OF AYUSH
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(a) & (b): (i) In order to have an interface with other systems of medicine with regard to education and medical practice there is provision for having joint sittings amongst the three Commissions in the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine, Act, 2020, the National Commission for Homoeopathy Act, 2020 and the National Medical Commission Act, 2019.

(ii) In order to address the most vulnerable disease Cancer, An MoU was signed between All India Institute of Ayurveda, Ministry of Ayush and National Cancer Institute (NCI) at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Jhajjar for establishment of Ayurveda and Integrative Oncology at National Cancer Institute, Jhajjar. This will unfold the potentiality of integration of the systems.

(iii) In order to enable choice to the patients for different systems of medicines under single window, Government of India has adopted a strategy of Colocation of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs). The engagement of Ayush Doctors/ paramedics and their training is supported by the Department of Health & Family Welfare, while the support for Ayush infrastructure, equipment /

furniture and medicines are provided by Ministry of Ayush under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM). Similarly, Ministry is also operationalizing Ayush Health & Wellness Centres by upgrading Ayush dispensaries and existing Sub health centres through NAM under collaboration of Department of Health & Family Welfare.

(iv) The Ministry of Ayush has formed an Inter-disciplinary AYUSH R&D (Research and Development) Task Force chaired by Prof. Bhushan Patwardhan and having representation from scientists including Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and AYUSH Institutions. The Interdisciplinary AYUSH Research and Development Task Force has formulated and designed clinical research protocols for prophylactic studies and add-on interventions in COVID-19 positive cases through thorough review and consultative process of experts of high repute from different organizations across the country for studying four different interventions viz. Ashwagandha, Yashtimadhu, Guduchi + Pippali and a poly herbal formulation (AYUSH-64).

(v) The Union Cabinet has approved for incorporation of National Programme for Prevention & Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular diseases & Stroke (NPCDCS) programme in Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM). Accordingly, NPCDCS programme has been incorporated in the National AYUSH Mission guidelines and same has been circulated to States to implement in 6 States.

(vi) The Cabinet had taken a decision in the year 2014-2015 to integrate AYUSH in the new and upcoming AIIMS. In this regard, a meeting was held between Secretary (AYUSH) and Joint Secretary, M/o H&FW on 20.09.2017 wherein it was informed that total 19 AIIMS are being established by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, and AYUSH systems are to be integrated in all the AIIMS.

In the discussion it was decided that mainly Ayurveda, Homoeopathy and Yoga will be integrated in the new AIIMS. Ayurveda will be integrated in new AIIMS to be started in the West, Central and North zone of the country whereas Homoeopathy will be integrated in new AIIMS in West Bengal. It was also decided to introduce Yoga in all the 19 new AIIMS. The possibility of integrating other AYUSH systems shall be explored in the 2nd phase of integration. Since the AIIMS are not only Medical Colleges but shall also have ultra-modern infrastructure for research, the same could be utilized for promoting research in AYUSH. The names of new AIIMS and roadmap for integration of AYUSH proposed are as follows:

S. No.	New AIIMS	Name of State	Location	AYUSH SYSTEMS
1.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Ayurveda
2.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Orissa	Bhubaneswar	Homoeopathy
3.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Rajasthan	Jodhpur	Ayurveda
4.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Bihar	Patna	Ayurveda
5.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Chattisgarh	Raipur	Ayurveda

6.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Uttarakhand	Rishikesh	Ayurveda
7.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Andhra Pradesh	Mangalagiri	Ayurveda
8.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Maharashtra	Nagpur	Ayurveda
9.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur	Ayurveda
10.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	West Bengal	Kalyani	Homoeopathy
11.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Assam	Kamrup	Ayurveda
12.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Bihar	Bihar	Homoeopathy
13.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Himachal Pradesh	Himachal Pradesh	Ayurveda
14.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Jammu & Kashmir	Samba Jammu	Ayurveda
15.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Jammu & Kashmir	Pulwama Kashmir	Ayurveda
16.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Punjab	Bathinda	Ayurveda
17.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu	Siddha
18.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Gujarat	Gujarat	Ayurveda
19.	All India Institute of Medical Sciences	Jharkhand	Deogarh	Homoeopathy

The following points were emerged from the meeting:

- **Activities to be undertaken by AYUSH Dept. in AIIMS**

The AYUSH wing in AIIMS shall be called as **Department of Ayurveda/ Homoeopathy** etc. as the case may be. The AYUSH department shall undertake clinical activities like OPD and IPD. It will also work in collaboration with other departments for developing integrative protocols, undertake collaboration with other departments for developing integrative protocols, undertake collaborative research, and conduct CME for allopathy faculty, clinical meetings etc. and other such activities for promotion of AYUSH. The establishing AYUSH department shall also facilitate the eligible Allopathic candidates to do PhD in Ayurveda.

(c) & (d):No sir, at present there is no such proposal to set a high-level working group of Medical experts and representatives of premier Research Institutions belonging to different systems of Medicinal treatment under consideration.
