



From Tradition to Technology: Ayush Republic Day Tableau Set to Showcase India's Holistic Health Vision

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The Ayush tableau at the Republic Day Parade 2026 is set to present a compelling narrative of India's timeless health knowledge seamlessly integrated with contemporary public healthcare, under the theme "*Ayush ka Tantra, Swasthya ka Mantra.*" Rooted in the vision of *Aatmanirbhar Bharat*, the tableau highlights the National Ayush Mission's (NAM) role in strengthening traditional systems of medicine and embedding them within the national health framework.

At the heart of the presentation will be a symbolic confluence of traditional knowledge and nature, depicted through a tri-sculptural representation of Acharya Charak, Acharya Patanjali and Acharya Agastya, seated around a verdant mound of medicinal plants. This powerful imagery aims to reflect the foundational philosophy of Ayush emerging from harmony between human life and the natural world.

The tableau conceptualised by the Ministry of Ayush symbolises India's journey of nation-building through health, self-reliance, and civilisational knowledge. By showcasing the integration of India's traditional systems of medicine into contemporary public healthcare, the tableau reflects how holistic well-being has been intrinsic to the idea of Vande Bharat—from ancient India to a confident, future-ready nation. It underscores health as a foundational pillar of national strength, celebrating India's enduring commitment to nurturing a resilient, inclusive, and self-reliant society rooted in its heritage while addressing modern healthcare needs.

Highlighting Ayush's growing role in nation-building and global health, Shri Prataprao Jadhav, Union Minister of State (IC), Ministry of Ayush, underscored, "Ayush represents India's holistic approach to health—one that nurtures balance, prevention and well-being. The Republic Day tableau showcases how our traditional systems, guided by the vision of *Aatmanirbhar Bharat*, are empowering communities, strengthening public healthcare and offering credible solutions to modern lifestyle challenges. Ayush today stands as a symbol of India's confidence in its heritage and its leadership in shaping a healthier future for the world. The tableau symbolises India's commitment to evidence-based, people-centric and preventive healthcare, positioning Ayush as a vital pillar of national wellness."

Reflecting on the policy and institutional foundations of the tableau, Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, remarked, "The Republic Day tableau reflects how Ayush has moved from vision to implementation, with traditional systems being systematically integrated into India's public health framework. Through the National Ayush Mission, quality assurance, education, research and digital platforms are strengthening accessibility and credibility."

Highlighting the broader vision behind the tableau and its alignment with India's public health priorities, Dr. Kavita Jain, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, emphasised that "The Ministry of Ayush tableau at the Republic Day Parade 2026 reflects India's holistic health journey—where traditional knowledge, nature and modern technology converge to serve public well-being. Guided by the National Ayush Mission and

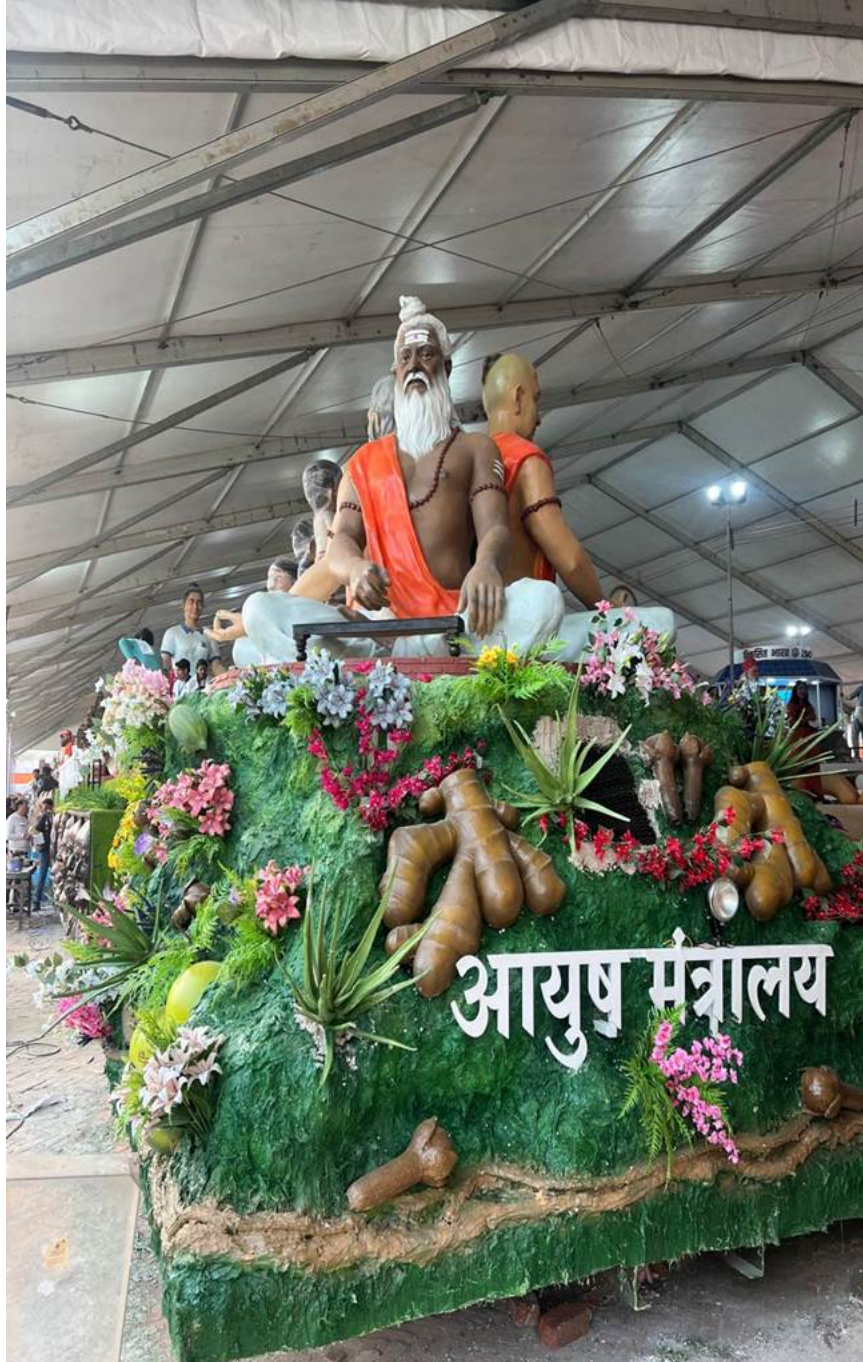
the vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat, Ayush is strengthening preventive, promotive, curative and community-based healthcare through credible institutions and digital innovation. This tableau is a tribute to India's living health traditions and their growing role in building a healthier, self-reliant and wellness-oriented nation.”

The narrative progresses to India's emergence as a digitally empowered wellness leader, with visual elements highlighting NAM's technology-driven platforms that expand access, transparency, and outreach. Flagship initiatives such as *Supraja* for neonatal care, *Vayomitra* for elderly well-being and *Ayurvedya*, which introduces Ayush concepts at the school level, underline a life-cycle approach to healthcare.

An artistic depiction of *Arishadvarga*—the six inner enemies—through expressive puppetry illustrates how Ayush practices promote inner balance, mental clarity and holistic well-being. Community-based healthcare delivery is showcased through Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush), complemented by visuals of Yoga, commonly used Ayush medicines and a meditative form symbolising body–mind–spirit harmony.

The tableau also celebrates India's diverse therapeutic traditions with three-dimensional murals of Marma, Shirodhara and Cupping, alongside tributes to pioneers of major Ayush systems across the world. Enhancing citizen engagement, interactive mascot elements represent key Ayush digital applications—Y-Break Pro, WHO mYoga, Namaste Yoga and Prakriti Parikshan—highlighting the growing role of technology in promoting preventive, participatory and accessible healthcare.

The presentation concludes with a depiction of a Government Ayurveda Medical College, symbolising institutional continuity, education and excellence—reinforcing Ayush as a living, evolving pillar of India's public health and global wellness leadership.





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