



Union Minister Shri Prataprao Jadhav hails Union Budget 2026 for strengthening holistic healthcare and promoting traditional medicine

Union Budget 2026 gives major boost to Ayush sector with ₹4,408 crore allocation: Union Ayush Minister

“Union Budget 2026 reinforces ‘Health for All’ and ‘Viksit Bharat’ Vision through Ayush”

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The Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH and MoS for MoHFW, Shri Prataprao Jadhav, has commended the Union Budget 2026 presented by the Hon'ble Union Finance Minister, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, describing it as a visionary, inclusive, and forward-looking budget that strongly reinforces the Government's commitment to 'Health for All' and 'Viksit Bharat'.

The Minister stated that under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the Union Budget provides a decisive thrust to the health sector through enhanced allocations and progressive policy interventions aimed at strengthening primary, secondary, and tertiary healthcare systems across the country.

Welcoming the allocation of ₹4,408 crore for the Ministry of AYUSH, Shri Prataprao Jadhav said that the increased outlay will significantly accelerate the integration of AYUSH systems with mainstream healthcare, promote evidence-based research and innovation, and strengthen institutional infrastructure and human resource capacity nationwide.

“The Union Budget 2026 reflects the Government's deep and sustained commitment to positioning India as a global hub of wellness and traditional medicine. AYUSH-based interventions have played a crucial role in preventive healthcare, public health resilience, and community well-being. This enhanced allocation will enable us to take the benefits of India's traditional systems of medicine to every household,” the Minister said.

Highlighting key focus areas, the Minister noted that the Budget for FY 2026–27 will support the modernization of AYUSH education and training, expansion and strengthening of AYUSH Health & Wellness Centres under the National AYUSH Mission, and scaling up of research, standardization, and quality assurance initiatives.

The Minister noted that the Budget also announces several key initiatives for the AYUSH sector, including:

Establishment of three new All India Institutes of Ayurveda (AIIA) to strengthen education, clinical services and research;

Upgradation of AYUSH pharmacies and Drug Testing Laboratories to ensure quality, standardisation and availability of skilled manpower;

Upgradation of the WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre, Jamnagar, to promote evidence-based research and global outreach in traditional medicine;

He further stated that the Budget will also facilitate increased global collaborations and international outreach in Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa, and Homoeopathy, thereby strengthening India's leadership in traditional medicine at the global level.

The Minister emphasized that the Government's emphasis on holistic health aligns with India's civilizational ethos of 'Swasth Bharat, Sampann Bharat', ensuring that ancient wisdom and modern scientific advancements progress together to build a healthier, more resilient, and self-reliant nation.

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