

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH
LOK SABHA
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AYUSH MEDICINES IN BIHAR

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is taking any special measures to promote AYUSH medicine, research, education and the cultivation of medicinal plants and to expand AYUSH-based health and wellness services in Bihar; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise, particularly in Darbhanga District?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) & (b) Ministry of Ayush is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) through State/UT Governments including Bihar and providing financial assistance to them for promotion and expansion of Ayush systems of the medicine in the country against their proposals received through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) as per the provisions of NAM guidelines. The Mission inter-alia makes provision for the following activities: -

- (i) Ayush Health & Wellness Centres now renamed as Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) [AAM (Ayush)].
- (ii) Co-location of Ayush facilities at Primary Health Centres (PHCs), Community Health Centres (CHCs) and District Hospitals (DHs).
- (iii) Upgradation of existing standalone Government Ayush Hospitals.
- (iv) Upgradation of existing Government/Panchayat/Government aided Ayush Dispensaries/Construction of building for existing Ayush Dispensary (Rented/ dilapidated accommodation)/Construction of building to establish new Ayush Dispensary in the area where there are no Ayush facilities available.

- (v) Setting up of upto 10/30/50 bedded Integrated Ayush Hospitals.
- (vi) Supply of essential drugs to Government Ayush Hospitals, Government Dispensaries and Government/Government aided Teaching Institutional Ayush Hospitals.
- (vii) Ayush Public Health Programmes.
- (viii) Establishment of new Ayush colleges in the States where availability of Ayush teaching institutions is inadequate in Government Sector.
- (ix) Infrastructural development of Ayush Under-Graduate Institutions and Ayush Post-Graduate Institutions/ add on PG/ Pharmacy /Para-Medical Course.

Under NAM, as per the proposal received from State Government of Bihar, through SAAPs, Ministry of Ayush has released an amount of Rs 8414.14 lakhs as central share to the State of Bihar from year 2014-15 to 2025-26 for implementation of different activities as approved in SAAPs. Ministry of Ayush has approved operationalisation of 294 AAM (Ayush) to the State of Bihar including 35 AAM (Ayush) in Dharbhanga. District-wise details of AAM (Ayush) in Bihar is furnished at **Annexure**.

Ministry of Ayush has set up Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), autonomous organizations for undertaking, coordinating, formulating, developing and promoting research on scientific lines in Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic systems. Under CCRAS, to promote AYUSH in Bihar's mainstream healthcare system, one Institute, namely the Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Patna, a peripheral institute, provides clinical care and conducts Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to promote Ayurveda. Under CCRH, one peripheral centre Clinical Verification unit (Homoeopathy), Guru Govind Singh Hospital, Patna City is located in the state of Bihar.

Further, National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, is implementing the Central Sector Scheme "Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants" across the country, including Bihar. The scheme is aimed to providing project based support for the different activities. The forward and backward linkage in supply chain of Medicinal plants (Integral component) is one of the component of CSS scheme wherein following activities are being supported”

1. Infrastructure for Quality Planting Material to raise the planting material of medicine plants for cultivation.
2. Information Education Communication (IEC) activities to aware the farmers.
3. Infrastructure for Post-harvest Management and Marketing to increase the marketability of the medicinal plants, adding values to the produce, increase profitability and reducing losses.
4. Quality Testing and Certification of raw materials.

Annexure

District-wise details of AAM(Ayush) as approved in SAAP for Bihar

S.No	District Name	Units of AAM (Ayush)
1	Araria	4
2	Arwal	2
3	Aurangabad	16
4	Banka	4
5	Begusarai	9
6	Bhagalpur	8
7	Bhojpur	4
8	Buxar	7
9	Darbhanga	35
10	Gaya	4
11	Gopalganj	7
12	Jamui	3
13	Jehanabad	4
14	Kaimur (Bhabua)	5
15	Katihar	4
16	Khagaria	2
17	Kishanganj	11
18	Lakhisarai	1
19	Madhepura	2
20	Madhubani	13
21	Munger	4
22	Muzaffarpur	15
23	Nalanda	8
24	Nawada	10
25	Pashchim Champaran	4
26	Patna	22
27	Purbi Champaran (Motihari)	15
28	Purnea	16
29	Rohtas	7
30	Saharsa	6
31`	Samastipur	9
32	Saran	2
33	Sheikhpura	1
34	Sheohar	1
35	Sitamarhi	6
36	Siwan	8
37	Supaul	3
38	Vaishali	12
	Total	294