

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1012
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th JULY 2025**

“AYUSH-ICMR Advanced Centre”

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched the AYUSH- Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) Advanced Centre for Integrated Health Research in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS);
- (b) if so, the salient features along with the objectives for launching the said centre;
- (c) whether the Government has also announced any mega joint initiatives between Ministry of AYUSH and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the kind of AYUSH healthcare facilities that are likely to be provided in these centres?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a)&(b) Government of India has launched the Ayush-ICMR Centres at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) to develop integrative health research through integrating Ayush system with conventional bio-medicine and modern technology to bring integrative health care to the people for improved patient outcome through innovations related to diagnostics, preventive, health promotive as well as treatment methods.

The objectives of establishing Ayush-ICMR Advanced Centre for Integrative Research at AIIMS are as under:-

- To harness the mutual understanding and research environment between the different systems of medicine leading to Integrative Health Research.
- To identify priority areas where the approach of integrative medicine may have potential and conduct integrative research in these priority areas to generate robust evidence.
- To develop Integrative management protocols with inputs from both traditional and modern medicine in the identified priority diseases based on the generated evidence.
- To carry out mechanistic studies to explain the integrative medicine approach.
- To develop guidelines and establish pathways to facilitate cross referrals utilizing the integrative medicine approach.

Under this program, four research areas in four AIIMS have been identified as follows:-

1. AIIMS Delhi:
 - i) Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research in Gastro-intestinal Disorders
 - ii) Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research in Women and Child Health
 2. AIIMS Jodhpur: Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research in Geriatric Health
 3. AIIMS Nagpur: Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research in Cancer Care
 4. AIIMS Rishikesh: Advanced Centre for Integrative Health Research in Geriatric Health
- (c) The Government has announced mega joint initiatives between the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Ministry of Ayush on Multicentre clinical trial on Anaemia.

CCRAS under the Ministry of Ayush and ICMR has undertaken a research study on Anaemia entitled “Efficacy and safety of Punarnavadi Mandura alone and in combination with Drakshavaleha compared to iron folic acid in the treatment of moderate iron deficiency anaemia among non-pregnant women of reproductive age group”: a community-based three arm multicenter randomized controlled trial. The eight sites identified for the study are Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (MGIMS)-Wardha, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Jodhpur, National institute of Traditional Medicine (NITM) Belagavi, Rajendra

Institute Of Medical Sciences (RIMS)-Ranchi, King Edward Memorial (KEM) Hospital Research Centre Pune, AIIMS New Delhi, AIIMS Bhopal, and AIIMS Bibinagar.

- (d) The Ayush-ICMR Advanced Centers for Integrative Health Research in AIIMS will offer integrated healthcare services, combining conventional medicine with Ayush systems like Ayurveda, Yoga, and Naturopathy. These centers will focus on research, diagnostics, preventive, promotive, restorative, and treatment methods for various health conditions. Specific areas of focus include Geriatric Health, Gastro-intestinal Disorders, Women and Child Health and Cancer Care.
