

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF AYUSH

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Skill Upgradation Programme for AYUSH Practitioners

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing skill upgradation programmes for AYUSH practitioners in the North Eastern Region of the country;
- (b) if so, the number of trainees from Assam's hilly districts trained thereunder so far; and;
- (c) the details of the support extended to traditional healers practicing indigenous herbal medicine in the particular region?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) & (b) 'Capacity Building & Continuing Medical Education (CME) in Ayush' is one of the component of Central Sector Scheme namely Ayurgyan which is implemented since 2021-22. The overall objective of the CME component is to encourage Ayush personnel to undergo need-based professional training and bridge the knowledge gaps. Being the Central Sector Scheme, financial assistance is provided to the eligible organization across the country (including North Eastern Region of the Country) for conduction of training program and the scheme is not specified to any region.

Under the Ayurgyan Scheme, the grantee organizations invite participants from across the country. Under this scheme, a total of 08 training programmes (i.e. 2 in Assam & 6 in Meghalaya) have been conducted for Ayush personnel.

Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM&H), Ghaziabad, under Ministry of Ayush, periodically conducts Capacity Building Training (CBT) programs on the standardization and quality control of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani & Homoeopathy (ASU&H) drugs for State Drug Regulators/Enforcement Authorities, AYUSH accredited State/UT Drug Testing Laboratories, Quality Control/Technical Personnel related to ASU&H drugs etc. Over the past three years, the Commission has organized 11 CBT programs, in which four participants have attended from the State of Assam.

North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Homeopathy (NEIAH), Shillong, conducts Panchakarma Therapy training for Medical Officers (Ayurveda) from neighbouring states. NEIAH also organizes Continuing Medical Education (CME) programs for Ayurveda and Homeopathy teachers from time to time.

Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Ayush, has provided training on Ayurveda Research Methodology and Statistics programme for the research scholars and faculty at the Government Ayurveda College, Guwahati, Assam wherein 140 scholars and faculty members were trained.

North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR), Pasighat, an autonomous institute under Ministry of Ayush, conducted Re-Orientation Training Program on *Marma Chikitsa* for Ayurveda Medical Officers of 08 North Eastern States in which one participant from Assam attended.

(c) NEIAFMR has extended their support to 38 traditional healers (i.e. Assam-3, Arunachal Pradesh-4, Meghalaya-10, Nagaland-21) for obtaining the certification of Traditional Healers under Voluntary Certification Scheme for Traditional Community Healthcare Providers (VCSTCHCP), a third party certification program conducted by Quality Council of India (QCI) and the Foundation for Revitalization of Local Health Traditions (FRLHT).
