

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:6
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2000
SETTING UP OF NATIONAL AYURVEDIC HOSPITALS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up National Ayurvedic Hospitals to promote and popularise Ayurvedic System of medicine among the people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the places where these hospitals are proposed to be set-up;
- (d) the estimated fund likely to be spent thereon; and
- (e) the number of persons likely to be benefited therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the table of Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 6 FOR 24.7.2000

Health is a State subject. The concerned State Governments establish hospitals for Ayurveda depending upon their inter-se priorities and the availability of resources. Presently, 1965 Ayurvedic hospitals have been established by the State Governments and 82 by the local bodies.

The Central Government establishes national level institutes and centres of excellence depending on the overall need, availability of resources and likely benefit to the general public. A National Institute of Ayurveda has already been established at Jaipur which has a 180 bedded hospital attached to it. Other possibilities are presently at the stage of conceptualisation, keeping in mind the range of priorities for developing and propagating Ayurveda.