

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:641
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STANDARDISATION OF AYURVEDIC TREATMENT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to have any institutional arrangements to standardise Ayurvedic treatment and scientifically establish the efficacy of the medicines and practices in Ayurveda;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 641 FOR 11TH MAY, 2005

Ayurveda is one of the oldest Systems of Medicine in India which is duly recognized by Government and regulated by law. Institutional arrangements are in place to standardize various aspects of Ayurveda including the system of treatment in a scientific manner. Government have taken steps for scientific validation of experience based Ayurvedic medicines and application of the latest scientific and diagnostic tools for Ayurvedic treatment. The Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM), has the mandate to prescribe the standards of Ayurveda education, maintain a central register of Ayurveda practitioners and determine standards of professional conduct, etiquette and code of ethics for them.

In order to refine the treatment and improve the efficacy of Ayurvedic medicines, a number of projects are being implemented under the intra and extra mural research programme. Reputed scientific institutions and hospitals have been involved in implementing some of the projects.

Government have recently revised the Extra Mural Research Scheme to provide for an additional component of collaborative scientific research known as the Golden Triangle Partnership. Under the revised scheme, the Department of AYUSH, the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) will join together to develop new and efficacious Ayurvedic drugs, acceptable globally, in addition to validating scientifically the existing experience based formulations.