

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
LOK SABHA**

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Promotion of Yoga

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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the activities organized along with the number of countries and people participated on the International Yoga Day held recently including the funds allocated and spent for the purpose;
- (b) the number of institutions imparting training of Yoga along with the number of seats therein and the steps being taken by the Government to open more such institutions in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to strengthen and expand the infrastructure for Yoga, particularly at primary and community level and encourage research on this ancient practice;
- (d) if so, the action plan drawn by the Government in this regard along with the funds earmarked, allocated and utilised for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the other measures being taken by the Government to promote and regulate Yoga therapy and education in the country?

Answer

(a): The first International Day of Yoga was celebrated all over the Country and abroad on 21/6/2015. The main event was organized by the Ministry at Rajpath, New Delhi by organizing a mass Yoga demonstration wherein 35,985 participants performed Yoga. A two days International Conference on Yoga for Holistic Health was also organized on 21st & 22nd June, 2015 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. All the States/UTs were advised to hold mass yoga demonstration at State, District, Block and Panchayat levels for celebrating International Day of Yoga on a grand scale involving all Schools/Colleges/Universities, General Public, Yoga Institutions, Police Personnel, NCC Cadets, NSS, NYKS, etc. The Ministry of External Affairs celebrated the International Day of Yoga in more than 190 countries by organising activities which included conferences on Yoga, Meetings of Yoga clubs, Yoga concerts, Yogathons, Yoga walks, documentary film screening on Yoga, Photo exhibition on yoga etc. The events were well received across the world.

The total funds earmarked/spent by the Ministry of AYUSH & Ministry of External Affairs are as follows:-

S. No. Activity Sanction/Expenditure (Rs. In Lakhs)

1 Ministry of AYUSH

(i) Publicity through DAVP, DD & AIR

828.43

(ii) Arrangements for the Mass Yoga Demonstration at Rajpath on 21/6/2015 758.53

(iii) International Conference on Yoga on 21st & 22nd June, 2015 at Vigyan Bhawan 182.8

2 Ministry of External Affairs 800.00

In addition, Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN) and Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY), the autonomous organizations under the Ministry, incurred the following expenditure :-

(i) Financial Assistance to Government Institutions /

Non Government Organization for organising of

Yoga Camps and celebration of International

Day of Yoga in each district of the Country

@ upto Rs. 1.00 Lakh each by CCRYN -Rs. 670.00 lakh

(ii) Expenditure on production of Film & Booklet
on Common Yoga Protocol by MDNIY -Rs. 34.80 lakh

(b): There are 53 Universities /Colleges/Institutions imparting training of Yoga in different States/UTs. A statement is placed at

Annexure "A".

(c): The Central Council For Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN) is in the process of establishing Central Research Institute (CRI) at 06 places in the country with 100 bedded Yoga and Naturopathy Hospital to strengthen and expand the infrastructure for Yoga and Naturopathy. One such Centre at Rohini, Delhi is functional with OPD facilities. The details of proposed CRIs are at Annexure "B".

(d): Details of the funds allocated/utilized by CCRYN during each of the last three years are as under:-

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S. No	Head	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
1	Funds Allocated Plan	1500.00	1380.00	1370.00
	Non Plan	225.00	224.00	224.00
2	Funds Released Plan	Nil	450.00	383.00
	Non Plan	168.75	215.00	198.10
3	Expenditure Plan	1833.68	329.78	168.00
	Non Plan	155.45	223.62	185.00

(e): The Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD) has informed that the National Curriculum Framework (NCF) 2005 which is a policy document for the country, recommended Yoga as an integral part of Health and Physical Education. Health and Physical Education is compulsory subject from Class 1 to Class X and optional from Classes XI to XII.

Yoga Education has been made compulsory part of study and practice by National Council for Teacher Education(NCTE), a statutory body under Ministry of Human Resource Development, for its 15 Teacher Education Programmes, viz., Pre-School Education to Elementary Education; Secondary; Senior Secondary; Physical Education; Distance Learning etc..NCTE has already developed modules on Yoga Education for Diploma in Elementary Education and master of Education. These will be used by more than 18000 Teacher Education Institutions and above 14 Lakh student –teachers and teacher educators who are studying and /or teaching in these institutions.

At present there is no Central legislation for regulation of education and practice in Yoga & Naturopathy systems. A Task Force has been constituted by the Ministry to deliberate and make recommendations on various important issues concerning the Ministry of AYUSH, including the preferred option for promotion, development and regulation of Yoga & Naturopathy for education and practice.