

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 481
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH FEBRUARY, 2023**

MEDICAL WEALTH OF PATALKOT, CHHINDWARA

481. SMT. SUMITRA BALMIK:

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken or proposes to take any step for carrying out research and accumulation of knowledge on the medicinal wealth of Patalkot which is situated in Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) whether Government has taken any step for skill development and imparting training on alternative systems of medicine like Yoga, Naturopathy, Panchakarma etc., if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government has any plan to promote health tourism for the treatment of foreigners through alternative systems of medicine, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

- (a) Regional Ayurveda Research Institute, Gwalior, one of the peripheral Institutes of Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) which is an Autonomous Body under the aegis of Ministry of Ayush, has conducted Medico Ethno Botanical Survey (MEBS), collected 107 Medicinal plants and also documented 10 Local Health Traditions (LHT) in Patalkot, District Chhindwara , Madhya Pradesh during the year 1986-87.
- (b) Ministry of Ayush has launched a Central Sector Scheme, namely Champion Service Sector Scheme for Medical Value Travel with one of the components of Skill Development to develop Ayush specific human resource, capacity building of existing human resource and to promote export of Services. A sub council on Ayush in Healthcare Sector Skill Council has been formed. The All India Institute of Ayurveda is a Nodal Organization in Skill Development programme in the Ayush Sector. The courses registered under the Ayush sub sector skill council include Panchkarma Technician, Ayurveda Dietician, Yoga Therapy Assistant, Cupping Therapy Assistant, Yoga Wellness Trainer etc. In addition, National Institutes and Research Councils under the aegis of Ministry of Ayush also conduct various skill development courses in the field of Yoga, Naturopathy, Panchakarma, etc.
- (c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Ayush have been working with Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) and Services Export Promotion Council (SEPC), for developing a portal (Heal in India) for the

convenience and ease of credible information for those who want to take treatment in India from abroad. Couple of Chintan Shivir were organized by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to promote Heal in India and Heal by India. Ministry of Ayush has also participated in these Chintan Shivirs. Certain action points were identified in these Shivirs to promote traditional medicine through Tourism in India. A Round table and plenary sessions on Heal in India were also organized during Global Ayush Investment and Innovation summit at Gandhinagar, Gujrat to promote India as number one destination for Medical Value travel.
