

## **WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS**

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 801  
ANSWERED ON 30.07.2024**

**Centre for integrated health research**

**801 Shri Ashokrao Shankarrao Chavan:**

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

- (a) whether Government has launched the AYUSH-ICMR Advanced Centre for Integrated Health Research in All India Institute of Medical Science (AIIMS);
- (b) if so, the salient features along with objectives for launching the said centre;
- (c) whether Government has also announced mega joint initiatives between the Ministry and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the kind of AYUSH healthcare facilities that will be provided in these centres; and
- (e) whether Government publishes Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS), uniform standards to improve the quality of health care delivery in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

**(a), (b), (c) and (d)**

Yes, Ministry of Ayush and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 11.05.2023 with objectives to promote and develop cooperation and collaboration on health research between Ministry of Ayush and ICMR to-

- a. Explore the areas of collaboration, convergence and synergy between Ministry of Ayush and ICME for integrative health research.
- b. Strengthening research capacity between Ministry of Ayush and ICMR.

As per the MoU, one of the priority areas is establishment of Ayush-ICMR Centers for Advanced Research in Integrative Health at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

The salient features of these centers are as under:-

- To develop dynamic and vibrant ecosystem of integrative health research through integrating Ayush system with conventional bio-medicine, and modern technology to bring integrative health care to the people through innovations related to diagnostics, preventive, health promotive, restorative as well as treatment methods.
- Generating robust evidence for mainstreaming the integrative health approaches for diseases of national importance through channelizing the existing Human resources, Infrastructure and available resources.

(e)

Yes, the Government published the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) for Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) and Ayush hospitals on 04.03.2024. These standards aim to bridge the existing gaps in service delivery by providing a standardized framework. This framework encompasses not only the physical infrastructure of the Ayush healthcare facilities but also the quality of care provided, standards on availability of human resources, capacity building, medicines, diagnostics, equipment and governance etc. ensuring the availability of the highest standards of healthcare delivery across the nation.