

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF AYUSH

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 818

TO BE ANSWERED ON 30TH JULY 2024

"Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, Kolkata"

818. Shri Samik Bhattacharya:

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

- (a) considering that the Central Ayurveda Research Institute in Kolkata currently has 20 beds, whether there is a plan to increase the capacity to 100 beds to meet the growing demand;
- (b) the number of health camps conducted by the Central Ayurveda Research Institute in the tribal regions of West Bengal over the past five years;
- (c) the measures being taken to improve healthcare accessibility and services in these tribal regions through the institute; and
- (d) whether there are adequate number of employees posted at the Central Ayurveda Research Institute to effectively manage and expand its services?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH

(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

- (a) There is no such proposal / plan to increase the bed capacity from 20 beds to 100 beds in Central Ayurveda Research Institute in Kolkata
- (b) & (c) Central Ayurveda Research Institute (CARI), Kolkata, has not conducted health camps in the tribal regions during the past five years. However, CARI, Kolkata, has conducted health camps under the **Tribal Health Care Research Programme (THCRP)** in West Bengal from 2014 to 2019. Through this THCRP programme Total 34,379 tribal population have been surveyed & Total 15,656 patients treated (Details at **Annexure**). Presently, this programme is not being executed through CARI Kolkata.
- (d) At present, there are total 46 number of regular staff in CARI, Kolkata. However, additional contractual staff have also been hired for carrying out various tasks in the Institute.

Tribal Health Care Research Programme (THCRP) in West Bengal from 2014 to 2019

THCRP (CARI, KOLKATA)				
S. No.	Years	Villages Covered	ST Population surveyed	Total Patient Treated
1.	2014-15	17	5659	1994
2.	2015-16	31	6612	2920
3.	2016-17	31	5854	2427
4.	2017-18	44	8896	5133
5.	2018-19	28	7358	3182
Total		151	34379	15656