

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 952
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH APRIL, 2016**

EFFECTIVENESS OF HOMOEOPATHY TREATMENT

952. SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of a study by Australia's National Health and Medical Research Council findings that Homoeopathy and Unani system of medicines has been ineffective in different health conditions;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to institute a study to look into the benefits and effectiveness of Homoeopathy and Unani systems of medicines in India; and
- (c) whether the Government also has received any complaints about quacks in Homoeopathy and Unani system, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a): The Government is aware of the observation by Australia's National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) on Homoeopathy. There is no reference of study conducted on Unani system of medicine. It is understood that NHMRC has not taken up any study on effectiveness of Homoeopathy and Unani System of medicines. It has conducted a study on Homoeopathy with small number of already published papers(225) and reached conclusions. The observations of the NHMRC have drawn criticism for its unscientific approach and methodological shortcomings. The findings are contrary to the findings and conclusions of Homoeopathy in India.

(b): The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and Central Council for Research in Unani Medicines(CCRUM), autonomous organizations under the Ministry of AYUSH have the mandate to conduct research in their respective systems which inter-alia aims to study the benefits and effectiveness of the medicines.

(c): Health is a State subject. Accordingly, action against quacks is the responsibility of the State Government concerned. The details of quack and action taken against them are not maintained by the Ministry of AYUSH. As per the provisions of Indian Medicine Central Council (IMCC) Act, 1970 and Homoeopathy Central Council (HCC) Act, 1973 only the details of the registered practitioners of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy are maintained by the two statutory bodies i.e Central Council of Indian Medicine and Central Council of Homoeopathy respectively.

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