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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3821 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2017

HOMOEOPATHY FOR HEALTHY CHILD

3821. SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

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

- (a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme for implementing a programme namely Homoeopathy for Healthy Child (HHC) in all the States of the country including Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the details and the main features thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to implement HHC in all the districts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

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

- (a) & (b): Yes, the Ministry of AYUSH has implemented a programme called 'Homeopathy for Healthy Child' (HHC) through Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), an autonomous organization under Ministry of AYUSH. The programme has been undertaken on pilot basis in ten blocks of six districts in five states of the country. The program is also extended in two blocks of Jharkhand and Rajasthan under tribal sub-plan. However, the state of Chhattisgarh is not included in the said program. Details are placed at **Annexure**.
- (c) & d): This is a Pilot Project and there is no proposal at present to implement HHC in all districts of the country.

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Summary

Under the directions of Ministry of AYUSH, Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) has developed a program on Homoeopathy for Healthy Child. The program has 2 components namely, 'Homoeopathy for teething complaints in children' and 'Integration of Homoeopathy with Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK)'. The component on 'Homoeopathy for teething complaints in children' focuses on children in the age group of 6 months to 3 years and aims at promotion of healthy teething by using Homoeopathic bio-chemic medicines. Teething associated problems such as diarrhea, fever, loss of appetite, irritability are treated with homeopathic medicines. The component on 'Integration of Homoeopathy with RBSK' focuses on children in the age group of 0 to 18 years and aims at screening, early detection and early intervention of defects, delays, deficiencies and diseases identified under RBSK. The program is being undertaken on pilot mode in 10 blocks in 6 districts as follows:

S. N.	State	Coordinating CCRH center	Districts	Blocks identified
1	Assam	RRI Guwahati	Kamrup	Dhirenpara, Central Zone block
2	Delhi	CCRH Headquarters	New Delhi	Delhi Cantonment & Nangal Raya Zone
3	Maharashtra	RRI Mumbai	Palghar	Vikramgarh
4	Odisha	RRI Puri through DPRU, Bhubaneswar	Cuttack	Niali, Kantapada
5	Uttar Pradesh	CRI Noida	Gautam Budh Nagar	Bisrakh, Dadri
		HDRI Lucknow Through Clinical Trial Unit Gorakhpur	Gorakhpur	Bhatahat, Chargwan
6	Rajasthan	RRI(H), Jaipur,	Amber	ST dominant areas of Amber Block
7	Karnataka	Dr. Issac Mathai, Rural center	Hosekote Taeku	Jadigenahalli
8	Jharkhand	CRU(T) Ranchi	Kanke	ST dominant Villages

The field workers in these blocks have been trained by experts from homoeopathy, pediatrics and dentistry or community medicine for identifying the common problems associated with primary teething and the use of homoeopathic medicine kits. They have been provided with the medicine kits and data recording registers for data collection and compilation. All these programs were conducted in coordination with the district and block level authorities.

Children under follow up:

More than 50,000 children have been enrolled. The nodal officers of the program have been trained on undertaking screening of children for 4 Ds (defects, developmental delays, deficiencies and diseases) as outlined under the RBSK.