

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.375
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH DECEMBER, 2019
CENTRAL REGULATORY AGENCY FOR AYUSH DRUGS**

†*375. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up/proposes to set up any Central Regulatory Agency for AYUSH drugs/ systems in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which such regulatory mechanism is likely to be put in place in the country; and
- (c) if not, the manner in which the Government proposes to regulate AYUSH drugs/systems in the country?

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

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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(a) to (c) Central Government makes and amends the regulatory provisions in the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules there under for AYUSH drugs and the enforcement of these provisions vests with the State Governments. Accordingly, Ministry of AYUSH, in the Central Government, has a Drug Control Cell, now named as Drug Policy Section, to deal with regulatory matters of Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy drugs and to coordinate with respective State Licensing/Drug Control Authorities in this regard. Since 05.02.2018, a vertical structure of AYUSH has been created within Central Drugs Standard Control Organization to oversee the regulation of Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy (ASU&H) drugs from central level. Nine regulatory posts including one post of Deputy Drugs Controller, four posts of Assistant Drugs Controller (one each of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy) and four posts of Drug Inspectors (one each of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy) have been created and notified on 24.07.2019.
