

**Regional Review Meeting of National Ayush Mission (NAM) held on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 at Guwahati, Assam.**

A Regional Review meeting to review the progress of activities approved under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM) for the States of **Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura** was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Minister of Ayush at 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 at Guwahati, Assam in which Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam, Hon'ble Health Ministers from Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram and Sikkim, Hon'ble Finance Minister of Tripura, Principal Secretary (Health) of Assam & Mizoram and other senior officers from the State Governments were present.

2. During the meeting, following actionable points emerged for compliance by States/UTs:

i. Establishment of separate Ayush Directorate and dedicated Mission Director.

**(Action to be taken:- Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur,**

**Mizoram, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura)**

ii. For monitoring the Scheme, there is need for strengthening/establishment of State Programme Management Unit (SPMU) and District Programme Management Unit (DPMU).

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States )**

iii. Preparation of road map & programme calendar for the implementation of National Ayush Mission Scheme.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States )**

iv. Proper planning, realistic approach & optimum utilization of budgets, timely operationalization of Ayush HWCs, expedition of different construction works and functionalities of units.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States )**

v. All approved Ayush Health & Wellness Centres (AHWCs) to be operationalized within F.Y 2023-24.

**(Action to be taken:-** Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura)

- vi. Compliance for Eligibility for release of Grant-in-aid and instructions as issued by the Department of Expenditure (DoE), Ministry of Finance, Government of India.

**(Action to be taken:-**Manipur )

- vii. Parking of funds in SNA account to be avoided and to take necessary steps for timely release of funds from treasury to SNA and submission of the Utilization Certificates (UCs) at the earliest.

**(Action to be taken:-** All NE States )

- viii. Focus on Ayush public health programmes especially on Ayurvedya, Ayush Mobile Medical unit & Vayomitra, IEC activities with the involvement of Village/Panchayat volunteers, BDOs, grass root level workers in these activities. New programme under NAM needs to be operationalized in a time bound manner by the States.

**(Action to be taken:-** All NE States)

- ix. There is need of sanction of regular posts where infrastructure created.

**(Action to be taken:-** All NE States)

- x. Monitoring and evaluation of activities through field visits, peer review and further follow up through regular review with respect to implementation of NAM scheme may be taken by the Senior Officers in the States.

**(Action to be taken:-** All NE States)

- xi. Timely submission of realistic decentralized State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) through NAM Portal.

**(Action to be taken:-** All NE States)

- xii. Expedite NABH entry level certification and accreditation of Ayush Healthcare facilities such as AHWCs, Integrated Ayush hospitals etc.. Same may be completed in time bound manner. The State Governments were suggested to identify the AHWCs to be certified/accredited and list of the same may be shared with Ministry as well as NABH team.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xiii. Possibility to explore the effective utilization of 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission recommendations through State Government for the further implementation of activities of NAM.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xiv. Coordination with Autonomous Bodies (ABs), Research Councils (RCs) & their peripheral units under Ministry of Ayush may be established for IEC, Capacity and training, tele-medicine, health camps etc. to improve public health outcomes for efficient implementation of the Mission.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xv. States should explore the possibility of Integrated Ayush centres/ dispensaries.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xvi. Regular data entry of no. of beneficiaries of Ayush Health & Wellness Centres (AHWCs) in AB-HWC National Health Portal and DBT portal.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xvii. States need to strengthen Tele-consultation through hub and spoke models, so that needy patients can avail the informed choice of treatment.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xviii. Referrals and cross referrals are required to be strengthened, wherever necessary.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xix. Scope needed to be explored for the production & manufacture of quality raw material, medicinal plants as NE States have abundant flora and fauna which can pave a way for more revenue generation and employment.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

- xx. Showcasing the best practices with special focus on Public health programmes and to identify innovative activities for the benefit of public.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

xxi. Chintan Shivir at State Level for effective implementation of the Scheme.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

xxii. Awarding Mechanism to be developed by States for districts, based on well defined KPI's.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

xxiii. Other Central Sector Schemes of Ministry of Ayush may also be explored by States.

**(Action to be taken:- All NE States)**

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