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AYUSH discussed globalisation of traditional systems of medicine with Ambassadors

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An interactive meeting on ‘Globalisation of Traditional and Alternative Systems of Medicine’ with Ambassadors/High Commissioners of 15 countries was recently organized by ministry of AYUSH.

The meeting was coordinated by Central Research Council of Research in Ayurvedic Sciences, New Delhi and was attended by Shripad Naik, Minister of State for AYUSH along with the Ambassadors/High commissioners of Bhutan, UAE, Cuba, Iran, Ghana, Hungary, Trinidad, Oman, Equatorial Guinea, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Switzerland, Mauritius, Bangladesh and The United Kingdom.

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Ambassadors, High commissioners and representatives from the participating countries acknowledged the need for diligent integration of TM&CM with modern medicine in combating Non-Communicable diseases to reduce the exorbitant health care expenditure for individuals and to the National exchequer. There was consensus in the meeting that all stake holding countries should come together to work for the globalization of traditional medicine systems for the benefit of humanity.

For this purpose, it was acknowledged, induction of Indian Medical systems like Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) of the WHO would be desirable.

The efforts made by the Ministry in creating Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani (ASU) morbidity codes and standardized terminologies in line with W.H.O guidelines for quantification and reporting of health services by AYUSH systems at national level through NAMASTE portal were also discussed.