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National Ayush Mission gets 50 % increase in budget allocation

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Union Budget 2023-24 gives major emphasis on increasing Ayush services and scientific research



The government's focus on integrating Ayush system in National Health ecosystem has got a boost in the Union Budget 2023-24 presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on 1st Feb. The total allocation of budget to Ayush Ministry has increased by 20 percent to Rs 3647 crore. The budget has also emphasised on promoting evidence-based research in Ayush

systems through Ayush research councils.

Budget allocation to centrally sponsored National Ayush Mission (NAM) has got 50 percent increase in allocation from Rs 800 core to Rs 1200 crore. NAM is majorly focused on providing cost effective Ayush Services with the universal access through up-gradation of Ayush Hospitals and Dispensaries, comprehensive primary health care through upgrading health care facilities as Health & Wellness Centers (HWC), and co-location of Ayush facilities.

NAM also supports cultivation of medical plants, production of quality and standardised ingredient for supply of Ayush, integration of medicinal plants in farming systems and increasing export of value added items of medicinal plants.

All the states (Rs 920 crore), union territories (Rs 96 crore) and North eastern areas (Rs 231 crore) have also witnessed an increase in grants-in-aids i.e from Rs 861.97 crore to Rs 1246.73 crore.