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The government is considering setting up of a structured central regulatory regime for Ayush drugs. In this regard, the current proposal is to have a vertical structure for Ayushin the CDSCO. Procedural steps for setting up this structure have been initiated but the timeframe for which cannot be specified at this stage. Presently, the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 and Rules thereunder have exclusive provisions for AYUSH drugs, which are enforced by the state governments.Â

This information was given by the minister of state (Independent Charge) of the ministry of Ayush, Mr Shripad Yesso Naik in Lok Sabha on July 31, 2015.

For regulating the practice of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathy, the government has established Central Council of Indian Medicine and Central Council of Homoeopathy under the provisions of Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 and the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973 respectively.

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