

## International Day of Yoga-2017 to be organised in Lucknow

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**Nearly 51,000 people expected to participate in the main event at Ramabhai Ambedkar Sabha Sthal**



The capital of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow, will host the main mega event of this year's International Day of Yoga on 21st June and the event will be led by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi. This was formally announced by the Shripad Yesso Naik , Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH

Shripad said, Ministers of the Government of India, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and several Yoga Gurus are also expected to take part in the event at Lucknow. The venue for IDY-2017 is Ramabhai Ambedkar Sabha Sthal in Lucknow and nearly 51,000 people are expected to demonstrate common yoga protocol along with the dignitaries in this event.

“Besides the main event in Lucknow, Delhi will also hold events in seven places. These events are being planned in association with NDMC, DDA and different Yoga Organisations. The leading Yoga Organisations are planning several other programmes on the occasion of IDY – 2017 in Delhi as well as other parts of the country and also outside the country.”, he added

The AYUSH Minister also said that the Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN) is conducting One Month free Yoga camp in almost all the districts of the country through Govt. and Private Organisations. He said that the training programme has already started from 21st May, 2017.

Giving further details, Naik said that Ministry of AYUSH is planning to have a few Yoga Parks across the country, specially meant for Yoga activities throughout the year, which will be managed voluntarily by the Yoga or other organisations. He said that it is expected that nearly 100 such Yoga parks will come up within this year, which will be further expanded subsequently.

In his welcome address C.K Mishra, Secretary, Health and Family Welfare and AYUSH said, "A sustainable Yoga atmosphere should be created throughout the year by organising Yoga activities even after the International Day of Yoga is over. The Yoga institutions/organisations in and around Lucknow will be actively involved in the main event this year"