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## International convention on world homoeopathy day inaugurated

### Prevention Of Various Epidemic Diseases

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**USPA NEWS** - The Minister of State for AYUSH and Health & Family Welfare, Mr. Shripad Yesso Naik at the inauguration of the "International Convention on World Homoeopathy Day"<sup>[7]</sup>, in New Delhi on April 09, 2016.

Prevention Of Various Epidemic Diseases Through Homoeopathy Is Huge: Shripad Yesso Naik

Mr. Shripad Yesso Naik, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH inaugurated the International Convention on World Homoeopathy Day on April 9. While inaugurating a Homoeopathic International Convention, he greeted the people of India on the occasion of World Homoeopathic Day.

Mr. Naik, in his inaugural address, expressed regret over the fact that the potential of Homoeopathy remains largely unexplored and, therefore, underutilized in public health. This, despite the fact that Homoeopathy is practiced in more than 80 countries of the world and is known to be effective in various communicable and non-communicable diseases, chronic diseases and diseases of children and mothers, he added.

He said that, during pregnancy, when expecting mothers are usually advised not to take much medication, Homoeopathy is a safe alternative. The scope of prevention of various epidemic diseases through Homoeopathy is also huge, but not yet tapped, he added.

Mr. Naik said that Homoeopathy, in India, has been well institutionalized. We have 212 Homoeopathic hospitals and more than 8000 Homoeopathic dispensaries. He said there are almost 3 hundred thousand Homoeopathy practitioners in India. There are 195 undergraduate and about 40 post-graduation medical colleges and the National Institute of Homoeopathy is a model institute for education and medical care through Homoeopathy, he added.

He also said that there are more than 400 licensed pharmacies, most of whom are GMP compliant.

The Minister said that India had an extensive meetings and deliberations on AYUSH with a number of countries at the International level. The country recently hosted a delegation from the United States of America to discuss the modalities of integrating AYUSH systems in cancer care.

The Minister said that AYUSH information cells have been set up at the Indian embassies and consulates in Beijing, Stockholm, Latvia, Dubai and Croatia. He said that India is in the process of forming a chair of Homoeopathy at Yerevan State Medical University, Armenia. The AYUSH Chairs are established in the foreign universities, in consultation with Indian Missions to promote academic and collaborative research activities on AYUSH Systems abroad, he added.

The Minister said that India has been a major contributor in Homoeopathy research in the last few decade and the work of Indian homoeopathy researchers is often cited by many international researchers.

Not only that, India is also following the contemporary research designs and methodology for conducting reliable, reproducible researches, he added.

Shri Naik said that India have signed Memoranda of Understanding with Sri Lanka, Mexico, Cuba, Nepal, Mauritius and Mongolia. A MoU on cooperation in research and education has been signed between the Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and Royal London Hospital for Integrated Medicine, he added.

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