

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.177**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2026  
**Abortions by non-MBBS doctors**

177 Shri Derek O' Brien:

Will the Minister of *Ayush* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that abortions by non-MBBS doctors can lead to critical medical conditions arising out of excessive bleeding or incomplete abortions;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Indian Medical Association (IMA) has warned against the severe risks of allowing AYUSH doctors to conduct non-invasive procedures: and
- (c) whether there is a concrete monitoring plan to check whether an AYUSH doctor is conducting abortion through medicine or doing invasive procedures?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) and (b) Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy practitioners are governed by the regulation namely, the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (Ethics and Registration) Regulations, 2023 and the National Commission for Homoeopathy (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Code of Ethics for Practitioners of Homoeopathy) Regulations, 2022 and the National Commission for Homoeopathy (Manner of Preparation and Maintenance of National Register for Practitioner of Homoeopathy) Regulations, 2022 respectively. Therefore, Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy practitioners are required to practice within the prescribed scope of their respective system of medicine. Any instance of professional misconduct resulting from unauthorized practice or non-compliance with prescribed norms would be subject to action by the concerned authorities under the applicable laws.

(c) There exists a regulatory mechanism to ensure compliance and to check any unauthorised conduct of medical practice in respect of Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and Homoeopathy practitioners. These practitioners are governed by aforesaid regulations framed by the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) and the National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH) respectively. Respective State Medical Councils for Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy are empowered to take disciplinary actions in respect of any professional or ethical

misconduct by a registered practitioner of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy. Health being a state subject, issues concerning illegal medical termination of pregnancy or unauthorized invasive procedure fall within the jurisdiction of State Governments and local enforcement authorities.

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