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MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1283
TO BE ANSWERED ON 3RD MARCH, 2020**

AYUSH MEDICINES FOR PREVENTING CORONAVIRUS INFECTION

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Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY** be pleased to state:

- (a) the basis on which the Ministry issued advisory for Homoeopathy, Unani and Ayurveda medicines for prevention of Coronavirus infection; and
- (b) the details of scientific data on the safety and efficacy of these medicines?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) and (b): Homoeopathy, Unani and Ayurveda are advocated for health promotion prevention of diseases. As such, the advisory in terms of Homoeopathy, Unani and Ayurveda is general in nature. People should also follow general measures as per health advisory.

However, in view the positive results from the *genus epidemicus* as prophylactic during epidemic outbreaks of various diseases during recent past, Scientific Advisory Board of the Council discussed to find out possible *genus epidemicus* for recent outbreak of corona virus in China. The sign and symptoms of the patients were referred from the recent publication from the clinical history of patients of Wuhan, China in Lancet titled, "Clinical features of patients infected with 2019 novel corona virus in Wuhan, China".

Analysis of these symptoms was made to find out the *genus Epidemicus* and following recommendation were made:

- *Arsenicum album 30C* could be advised as genus Epidemicus as preventive against Corona virus infection.
- Moreover, *Arsenic album* is a common prescription in the cases of respiratory infections in day to day practice.

Further, No such study has been conducted for the safety and efficacy for prevention in corona virus infection by the Homoeopathy, Unani and Ayurveda Systems.