

Draft Tentative **AGENDA FOR VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR**  
From **Monday 27th April to Sunday 2nd May 2020 from 11AM (IST)**  
Organised by Faculty of Ayurveda, IMS BHU, Varanasi 221005. INDIA  
On **“Role of AYUSH to Fight Against Corona Virus Globally”**

**INTRODUCTION:**

In India the first case of COVID-19 was detected on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020. As of today (Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020) the figures in India are confirmed cases 17,656, with 559 deaths so far, according to data published by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Of these 14,255 are active cases of COVID-19, 2,841 individuals have recovered and discharged from hospital, one person migrated to another country and 559 people succumbed to the disease. Since 31 December 2019 and as of 20 April 2020, 23,55,853 cases of COVID-19 (in accordance with the applied case definitions and testing strategies in the affected countries) have been reported, including 1,64,656 deaths. Citizens globally are impacted with diverse information on dos and don'ts during the Pandemic of COVID-19 and were restricted to maintain a physical distancing, while under total LOCKDOWN condition and even at certain hotspots in curfew like environment. The key challenge was how to connect with the citizens and enable them to access credible information on the pandemic outbreak and how a healthy citizen can remain healthy during the most deadly attack ever happened in the world by an invisible enemy, Coronavirus-19. Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi, India decided to organise a series of seminar for the global community starting from 27<sup>th</sup> April to connect with the citizens and share the knowledge and communicate in simple, easy to understand language spread over six days through virtual webinar to start a consultative dialogue with all the stakeholders on issues concerning COVID 19 and how Indian Traditional Medicines (AYUSH) can play a role in globally to partner with Modern Medical Science.

**ROLE OF GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO EMPOWER CITIZENS-PATIENTS TO FIGHT AGAINST CORONAVIRUS:**

Government of India immediately sprang into action by launching a 24X7 Helpline Number on Phone and email: **COVID-19 Helpline Number: +91-11-23978046 Toll Free : 1075 Helpline Email ID: [ncov2019@gov.in](mailto:ncov2019@gov.in)** In order to enable citizens to access information from credible source and supplement the work done by Government of India and the State

Governments, Patient Safety and Access Initiative of India Foundation (FSAIIF) decided to collaborate with the Institute of Medical Sciences (IMS), Banaras Hindu University (BHU) to reach out to the patients and citizens to take advantage of all the facilities provided by the various stakeholders to credible information and seek consultation on preventive and curative care through the telemedicine centre of BHU, which was made official by Government of India on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020 through a publication on **“Telemedicine Practice Guidelines Enabling Registered Medical Practitioners to Provide Healthcare Using Telemedicine”** released by the BOARD OF GOVERNORS, In supersession of the Medical Council of India in partnership with NITI Aayog. Subsequently Government of India launched the National Teleconsultation Centre (CoNTeC) on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020 a single mobile number (+91 9115444155) for seeking information from anywhere in the country/world by COVID-19 treating doctors to reach the CoNTeC which has six lines that can be used simultaneously at present. The incoming calls will be picked up by the CoNTeC Managers, who will then handover the call to the appropriate expert doctors from the clinical domains as desired by the calling specialists managing the COVID-19 cases anywhere in the country. The Managers will guide the callers in establishing a two way video call using the WhatsApp, Skype or Google Duo as preferred by the caller. The callers from the NMCN network can connect anytime using the Telemedicine infrastructure at their end. Subsequently BHU Telemedicine Centre started providing information and consultation to the citizens on phone number +91542-2368028 to connect with registered medical practitioners. The calls were received by operators and then as per patient need are transferred to respective doctors for telephone consultation. The centre started functioning from 9am to 5 pm every day except Sunday. Currently consultations in Medicine, cardio, endocrine, Orthopedics, Gynecology, Gastroenterology, nephrology, TB and chest, pediatrics, surgery and Ayurveda Services are available. Due to the successful implementation of the Telemedicine Consultation in BHU, it was felt that globally citizens are keen to know more about Ayurveda Science, which is the traditional form of Indian Medicine and how it can play a partnership role with Modern Medical Science. Government of India engaged all the concerned Ministries to work on a partnership mode between Ministry of Ayush, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Ministry of Science and Technology along with eleven Empowered Groups dealing with all the key issues to make the citizens, patients and healthcare providers a

sense of comfort and assurance to fully protect the 1.39 billion citizens of India and 7.8 billion citizens globally.

### **THE NEED FOR AN INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR AND REGISTRATION:**

The faculty members of Institute of Medical Sciences felt that BHU should connect with the citizens globally for seven days starting from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 during the LOCKDOWN period to sensitise them about the benefits of Ayurveda and its long traditional journey. It was agreed that starting from 27<sup>th</sup> April the key faculty members of BHU and other experts from India will make themselves available free of cost to the global citizens on virtual mode (Video Conference) over a seminar at 11 AM Indian Standard Time (IST) daily for atleast two hours of interaction touching the various dimensions of COVID-19 Pandemic and how citizens can stay healthy during the lockdown condition and in future after normalcy. The AGENDA of the seminar day wise follows and citizens can access the Webinar free of cost after due registration and permission to enter as per the guidelines issues by Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs. The invitation to the seminar will be restricted and the link to the webinar will be shared in an exclusive manner only after due verification of the participant.

### **A BRIEF ABOUT INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (IMS), BHU.**

The history of medical education in Varanasi, the oldest living city in the world and the cultural capital of India, is at least 2500 years old. It was here that the great Indian Surgeon Sushruta lived and practiced medicine and surgery around the 5th century B.C. and also compiled his treatise, the Sushruta Samhita. In view of this perspective it was but natural that medical education would become one of the priorities of the then developing BHU way back in 1920s. **Bharat Ratna Mahamana Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya, the illustrious founder of BHU,** had the vision of integrating the best of Ayurvedic and modern systems of medicine. This basic idea initiated the training of Ayurveda in BHU in 1922 as a department in the Faculty of Oriental Learning and Theology. Soon thereafter, in 1927, a separate Ayurvedic College was started for imparting training in both in Ayurveda and Modern Medical Sciences under the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery (Ayurveda) and a six years course Ayurvedacharya with Medicine and Surgery (AMS) was started. In 1959, the undergraduate course in Ayurveda was suspended to provide more emphasis on post-graduate education and research. The

Ayurvedic college' was converted into the College of Medical Sciences in 1960 under the leadership of Prof. K. N. Udupa, at its helm as founder principal. In 1963 the Post-Graduate Institute of Indian Medicine was established. In 1963 a Postgraduate Institute of Indian Medicine was established as an integral part of the College of Medical Sciences and postgraduate courses in various Ayurvedic specialties were started. Simultaneously, postgraduate medical education was also started in a phased manner in Modern Medicine. In 1971, the College of Medical Sciences was upgraded to the Institute of Medical Sciences. In 1978, the existing Faculty was bifurcated into the Faculty of Ayurveda and Faculty of Medicine. In 1999, the four and half years' duration graduation course in Ayurveda followed by compulsory internship of one year was started, as per the recommendations of Central Council of Indian Medicine, leading to the award of BAMS degree. Six new departments were created in year 2006 making a total of 14 departments and 15 degree giving specialties in the Faculty. The Faculty of Ayurveda is known for integration of ancient Indian Medical knowledge and modern medical sciences. The integration of Ayurveda and Modern Medicine is a continuous process affected by the interaction, interdisciplinary research, education and patient care between the departments and centers of the institute. The Faculty is situated in proximity to other Faculties such as Humanities, Social Sciences, and institutes of Technology and Agricultural Sciences. This has also greatly helped in the development of collaborative research.

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR:**

- To link citizens globally with the benefits of Ayurveda and sensitise them on how to access the Indian Traditional Medicines (AYUSH)
- To answer all questions from the citizens regarding AYUSH and concerns rose due to COVID-19 Pandemic and the role of AYUSH to tackle the Pandemic now and in future.
- To document the interactive session for future use based on inputs from experts and participants on the way forward on how to make Modern Medical Science partner with Indian Traditional Medical Sciences (AYUSH) in the interest of Patients and enhance research and innovation to promote AYUSH globally after the LOCKDOWN is lifted.

## AGENDA

### MINUTE TO MINUTE INAUGURAL SESSION

- 11.00-11.02AM Meeting Called to Order and House Keeping Announcements by Moderator **Prof. Bejon Misra** Consultant IMSBHU
- 11.02-11.05AM Welcome Address By **Prof. Yamini Bhusan Tripathi** Dean of Ayurveda Dept. of Medicinal Chemistry IMS BHU
- 11.05-11.10AM Opening Remarks by **Prof Dr. Rajiv Kumar Jain**, Director Institute of Medical Sciences Banaras Hindu University
- 11.10-11.15AM Opening Remarks by Chairperson FSAIIF **Shri Wajahat Habibullah**, IAS Retd. Former Secy to Govt of India
- 11.15-11.20AM Opening Remarks by Chairperson Consumer Online **Shri L. Mansingh**, IAS Retd. Former Secy to Govt of India
- 11.20-11.25AM Opening Remarks by **Shri Dilip Chenoy** Secretary General Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- 11.25-11.30AM Opening Remarks by **Dr. Ravi. P. Singh**, Secretary General Quality Council of India New Delhi
- 11.30-11.35AM KeyNote **Shri Anurag Sharma** MP & FICCI Chair AYUSH Committee Owner of Brand Baidyanath
- 11.35-11.40AM KeyNote **Shri Robert Johnstone** Chair Access Matters Board Member EFGCP & IFIC EU Representative for IAPO
- 11.40-11.45AM KeyNote **Dr. V. K. Shukla** Rector Banaras Hindu University
- 11.45-11.50AM Address By Guest of Honour **Prof. Dr. Rakesh Bhatnagar**, Vice Chancellor, Banaras Hindu University VARANASI, India
- 11.50-11.55AM Address By **Prof. Dr. Nirmal Kumar Ganguly**, Patron & Mentor PSAIIF & Former DG ICMR Govt. of India
- 11.55-12.10PM Inaugural Address by **Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha** Secretary to the Government of India Ministry of AYUSH New Delhi
- 12.10-12.15PM Vote of Thanks **Prof Dr. Kamal Nayan Dwivedi** Head Dept. of Dravyaguna Faculty of Ayurveda IMS BHU

### END OF INAUGURAL SESSION

S.N	Day & Date & Time	Faculty	Topic
01	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 11 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<b>Prof. Yamini Bhusan Tripathi</b> , Dean, Faculty of Ayurveda  <b>Prof K N Dwivedi</b> Head, Dept. of Dravyaguna  <b>Prof. J S Tripathi</b>	"Role of Ayush System in managing COVID-19 infected patients"  "Precautions and suggestions for people after lifting of Lockdown"  "Potential Application of Kaphahar Rasayana

		Dept. of Kayachikitsa	Chikitsa in Management of Covid 19"
02	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 11 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<p><b>Prof. Mita Kotecha</b> Head, Dept. of Dravyaguna, NIA, Jaipur</p> <p><b>Prof. Tanuja Nesari</b></p> <p><b>Prof B K Dwivedi</b></p>	<p>"Role of Ayurvedic herbs to help in Pandemic of Covid 19"</p> <p>Role of Immunomodulators in Covid 19"</p> <p>"Fundamental Principles of Management of Covid 19 in Ayurveda"</p>
03	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 11 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<p><b>Mr. Arvind Varchaswi,</b> Managing Director, Sri Sri Tattva Co-Chair, FICCI AYUSH Committee</p> <p><b>Prof. KK Pandey</b> Dept. of Shalya/ Sangyahaarana</p> <p><b>Dr Vijay Shrivastava</b> Associate Professor Department of Panchakarma</p> <p><b>Vaidya Dube Sushil</b> Dept. of Kriyasharira</p>	<p>"Role of Industry during the COVID-19 Pandemic and the way forward on AYUSH Products"</p> <p>"Tridimensional module of Ayurveda against Covid 19"</p> <p>"Applicability of Shodhana Karma in the Management of COVID-19 Pandemic"</p> <p>"Preventive and Clinical Measures for Communicable Diseases in Ayurveda and Ancient Indian Culture"</p>

04	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 11 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<p><b>Dr. Atul Mohan Kochhar</b> – CEO, NABH</p> <p><b>Mr. Pradeep Multani</b>, Chairman, Multani Pharmaceuticals Limited and Co-Chair, FICCI AYUSH Committee</p> <p><b>Prof Anand K Chaudhary</b> Head, Dept. of Rasashastra &amp; Bhaishajyakalpana</p> <p><b>Prof. C. S. Pandey</b> Deptt of Siddhant Darshan</p> <p><b>Dr. Namrata Joshi</b> Associate Prof Dept. Of Rasa Shasrta</p>	<p>“NABH AYUSH Accreditation – Quality in the time of Crisis – The only way forward”</p> <p>“Role of Industry in developing quality standards: Should it be mandatory”</p> <p>"Rasaoushadhies of Ayurveda -An Answer to Combat COVID"</p> <p>“Concept of Infectious Disease and their Management in Ayurveda”</p> <p>“Role of Ayurvedic pharmaceuticals in the management of viral infections in Perspectives of Covid 19”</p>
05	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020 11 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<p><b>Prof KN Murthy</b> Dept. of Kayachikitsa</p> <p><b>Prof. Rajendra Prasad</b> Dept. of Kayachikitsa</p> <p><b>Dr. Sunita Suman</b></p>	<p>“Role of Rasayana Therapy in combating Covid 19”</p> <p>“Management of respiratory problems through Ayurveda: COVID-19 Perspective”</p> <p>“Precautions and Management of</p>

		Department of Prasuti and Stree Roga.	COVID-19 Infection during Pregnancy”
06	Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020 1 AM – 1 PM (IST)	<p><b>Dr. Gayatri Mahindroo</b> – Sr. Director, NABH</p> <p><b>Dr. Vaibhav Jaisawal</b> Asst. Prof., Dept. of Kaumarbhritya/ Balroga.</p> <p><b>Dr. PS Byadgi</b> Head, Dept. of Vikriti Vigyana</p> <p><b>Dr. Shobha Bhat K</b> Associate Professor and Head, Department of Agad Tantra</p>	<p>“NABH Entry Level AYUSH Standards - Equipping the Roots for fight against Covid and other pandemics”</p> <p>“Ayurvedic Action Plan for prevention and control of novel Covid 19 in children”</p> <p>“Understanding the diagnosis of Covid 19 and its management”</p> <p>“Unrevealed concepts of Agad Tantra in prevention of Covid 19”</p>
<p><b>COVID-19 Helpline Number: +91-11-23978046 Toll Free : 1075</b>  <b>Helpline Email ID : <a href="mailto:ncov2019@gov.in">ncov2019@gov.in</a></b></p>			



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**Bio-Sketch of Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary,  
Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India**

Born on 18th June, 1963, Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha did his M.D. (Ayurveda) from Gujarat Ayurveda University, Jamnagar in 1991. Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha has many publications to his credit. His book "A Beginner's Guide to Ayurveda" does not only give an insight into Ayurveda to novice but it is also a rendition of Ayurvedic tenants in a simplistic way. Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha was awarded Padmashri, 4th Highest Civilian Award declared by the President of India on 26th January, 2015. He has been an active member of various research councils and advisory boards/ committees of many institutions/ organizations in the field of Ayurvedic education. Before joining as Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of AYUSH, he has held the prestigious position of Vice-Chancellor, Gujarat Ayurveda University, Jamnagar and has been working as Chief Consultant of Chakrapani Ayurveda Clinic & Research Center, Jaipur.