

BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS

Proceedings of the Second Meeting of Ayush Division Council

Name of the Committee	No. of Meeting	Date	Time	Venue
Ayush Division Council, AYDC	2nd	24 January, 2024 Wednesday	12.30 pm	Dr. Lal C Verman Hall, BIS, Headquarters, New Delhi (Hybrid)

CHAIRPERSON: Padmashree Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, Govt of India

MEMBER SECRETARY: Smt Rachna Sehgal, Scientist-G & Head (Ayush), BIS

List of Participants: **Annex A**

Item 1 GENERAL

1.1 Welcome by Deputy Director General (Standardization-I), BIS

Sh. Rajeev Sharma, Deputy Director General (Standardization-I), BIS, welcomed the Chairman and participating members of Ayush Division Council on behalf of BIS. He thanked all the members for sparing their valuable time for supporting BIS, the National Standards Body of India, in its pursuit of standardization. In his opening remarks, he informed the Division Council members about the various initiatives taken by BIS to effectively engage all stakeholders in standards formulation. He emphasized the importance of collaboration and cooperation among different stakeholders, including industry associations, government agencies, and educational institutions, to ensure the development of robust standards that cater to the diverse needs of the nation. He also welcomed valuable recommendations for identifying new areas for the upcoming working annual action plan 2024-2025.

1.1.1 Introductory Remarks by the Head, Ayush Department, BIS

Smt Rachna Sehgal, Head Ayush welcomed the Chairperson of AYDC, Shri Rajeev Sharma, Scientist F & DDG (Standardization- I), Chairpersons of various Sectional Committees under AYDC and all the members of the Council in the 2nd meeting of AYDC. She emphasized the importance of Standardization in the field of Ayush Department aligned with the national priorities so as to facilitate new possibilities and new challenges to deliver. She also briefed the Council about the ongoing standards formulation activities under AYDC and new initiatives undertaken by BIS.

1.2 Opening Remarks by the Chairperson, Ayush Division Council

Padmashree Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Chairperson, Ayush Division Council welcomed the participating members of Ayush Division Council and officials of Bureau of Indian Standards. He also highlighted the significance of standardization in the Ayush industry. He emphasized the need to have a standardized framework in place to ensure the quality,

safety, and effectiveness of Ayush products and services. He appreciated that, BIS is working diligently with Ayush stakeholders to develop appropriate standards and guidelines that align with the requirements of the industry. He also highlighted the role of Ayush Division Council in guiding and shaping the standardization efforts in the Ayush sector. He encouraged the members to actively participate and provide their valuable inputs in the standards development process.

Item 2 CONFIRMATION OF PROCEEDINGS OF 1st MEETING OF AYDC

2.1 The Council APPROVED the proceedings of the First meeting of Ayush Division Council, AYDC held on 27 December 2022, as circulated to members vide email dated 03 January 2023 without any modifications.

2.2 The Council NOTED the action taken report of 1st meeting of Ayush Division provided in the Annex I of the agenda.

Item 3 SCOPE AND COMPOSITION OF AYDC

The Council NOTED the decision of 24th meeting of Standards Advisory Committee (SAC) held on 06 December 2023 for creation of Ayush Division Council along with its mandate.

3.1 Scope of Ayush Division Council

The Council NOTED the current Scope of Ayush Division Council, AYDC as given under Item 3.1 of the agenda.

3.2 Composition of the Ayush Division Council

The Council noted the composition of AYDC along with the attendance of the member organizations in the last meeting as given in Annex II of the agenda.

The Council RECOMMENDED to co-opt following organizations in the Division Council.

- i). The Indian Medical Practitioners' Co-operative Pharmacy and Stores Ltd. (IMPCOPS), Chennai
- ii). National Institute of Sowa-Riga, (NISR), Leh
- iii). Ayush Export Promotion Council (Ayushexcil)
- iv). Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), New Delhi.

Item 4 SCOPE AND COMPOSITION OF SECTIONAL COMMITTEES UNDER AYDC

4.1 Scope and Composition

The Council NOTED and APPROVED the current scope and composition of the Sectional Committees under AYDC along with the attendance of the member organizations in the last meetings as provided in Annex III of the agenda.

4.2 Co-option of members in Sectional Committees:

The Council noted that during 24th meeting of Standards Advisory Committee (SAC) held

on 06 December 2023, Shri H Wadhwa, Advisor, VOICE, New Delhi expressed his desire to participate in Ayush committees. After deliberations, the Council RECOMMENDED to co-opt the VOICE in Ayush Division Council.

Item 5 APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSONS OF SECTIONAL COMMITTEES

The Council NOTED the dates of appointment of the Chairpersons of 7 Sectional Committees as provided in the agenda item no. 5.

Item 6 REVIEW OF TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES OF AYDC

6.1 Progress of Work

The Council NOTED and acknowledged the progress of work since last meeting by various Sectional Committees under AYDC in terms of number of Sectional Committees/subcommittees/panels meeting held, standards formulation activity and aspect wise standards formulated by AYDC.

6.2 New Subjects taken up/ proposed to be taken up for Standardization in the Sectional Committees under AYDC

The Council deliberated and APPROVED the new subjects taken up/proposed to be taken up for standardization as listed in Annex IV of the Agenda. In addition, the Council suggested to undertake standardization related to Ayush Hospitals and wellness centres.

6.3 Important Standards formulated by the Sectional Committees under AYDC

The Council NOTED and appreciated the important Indian standards formulated by the Sectional committees under AYDC since the last meeting of AYDC as provided in the Annex V of the Agenda.

6.4 Comments on Published Indian Standards

The Council deliberated on the comments received on standards related to single herbs. After deliberations, the Council advised the AYD technical committees to give consideration to aligning the Standards on Single herbs with “One herb One standard” documents under development in Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM & H).

Item 7 INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

7.1 Proposal for Creation of ISO Technical Committees for Ayurveda and Yoga

The Council NOTED the progress regarding proposal for establishment of technical committee for Ayurveda and Yoga at ISO. Deliberating on the latest developments in this activity, the Council appreciated the efforts of BIS.

7.2 Membership in ISO/TC 249 - Traditional Chinese Medicine

7.2.1 The Council NOTED that the relevant work of ISO/TC 249 - Traditional Chinese

Medicine has been included in the Programme of Work (PoW) of Ayush Department.

7.2.2 Deliberating on the programme of work of ISO TC/249 placed at Annex VI of the Agenda, the Council ADVISED that Ayurveda Sectional Committee (AYD 01) may liaise with ISO TC 249 with “O’ membership status.

Item 8 PROMOTION OF STANDARDS

8.1 Participation in Conferences/Seminars/Meetings

The Council NOTED the active participation of the officers of Ayush Department in various events and lectures/ presentations delivered by the officers as placed at Annex VII of Agenda.

8.2 Publication of a catalogue of Indian Standards

The Council NOTED and appreciated the efforts of BIS in releasing a Catalogue of Indian Standards for Ayush during the World Standards Day programme held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi on 13 October 2023.

8.3 Manak Manthan

The Council NOTED the active involvement of Ayush Department in the Manak Manthan interactive program launched by BIS. The Council also appreciated the efforts put forth by this programme in generating awareness about Indian standards on single herbs, Panchakarma equipments, Common yoga protocol, and Ayurveda Terminology.

Item 9 BIS INITIATIVES IN STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

9.1 Creation of Standardization cells

9.1.1 The Council NOTED the creation of about standardization cells in Ministry of Ayush and Seven Industry Associations and one subordinate office of the Ministry of Ayush. It is suggested to get inputs for selection of new areas during the process of development of Standards.

9.2 Pro-active actions for dissemination of information through social media

The Council NOTED the pro-active actions for dissemination of information through social media as provided in the item no 9.2 of the agenda.

9.3 Availability of Indian Standards

The Council NOTED the information provided in item no 9.3 of the agenda regarding the availability of indigenous published Indian Standards.

9.4 Training to Technical Committee Members on standardization

The Council NOTED and commended the efforts taken by BIS in imparting training through capacity building programmes organized for 120 newly inducted technical committee members under various sectional committees of AYDC.

Item 10 DATE AND PLACE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF AYDC

The date and time of the next meeting of AYDC would be decided in consultation with Chairperson.

Item 11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i). The Council suggested that, BIS may consider initiating a Voluntary Certification Scheme for Ayush standards.
- ii). BIS may consider setting up exhibition stalls at events of National and International importance organized by the Ministry of Ayush to bring awareness about the Ayush related standardization activity. Ministry of Ayush agreed to provide a complimentary space at such events. To facilitate BIS's participation in these events, the IC section of the Ministry of Ayush may provide a list of such events where BIS can contribute.
- iii). BIS may consider setting up the Standards clubs in Ayush colleges through National Commission for Indian system of Medicine (NCISM) and National Commission for Homeopathy (NCH).
- iv). There being no other business, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and all the members of AYDC.

ATTENDANCE SHEET**PRESENT**

S. No.	Representative	: Name of the Organization
1.	Padmashree Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha	: Secretary, Ministry of Ayush New Delhi
2.	Prof. Dr. K. Satya Lakshmi	: National Institute of Naturopathy, Pune
3.	Prof. Asim Ali Khan	: SUMER, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi
4.	Dr. Padma Gurmeet	: National Institute of Sowa-Rigpa, Leh
5.	Dr. Thinlay Namgyal	: -do-
6.	Dr Vijayalakshmi Asthana	: CSIR-Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (CSIR-TKDL) Unit
7.	Dr Rabinarayan Acharya	: Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS)
8.	Dr. N. Zaheer Ahmed	: Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM)
9.	Dr. R. P. Meena	: -do-
10.	Dr. R. Meena	: Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS)
11.	Dr. V. Aarti	: -do-
12.	Dr. Subhash Kaushik	: Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH)
13.	Dr Sunil S Ramteke	: -do-
14.	Dr. Raghavendra Rao	: Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy (CCRYN)
15.	Dr Ishwar N Acharya	: Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY)
16.	Dr Galib R	: All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)
17.	Dr. Meena Deogade	-do-
18.	Dr Raman Mohan Singh	: Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine & Homoeopathy (PCIM&H)
19.	Dr Nagesh Sandu	: Ayurvedic Drugs Manufacturers' Association (ADMA)
20.	Shri Syed Muneer Azmat	: Unani Drugs Manufacturers' Association (UDMA)
21.	Dr Rahul Kumar	: Indian Medicines Pharmaceutical Corporation Limited (IMPCL)
22.	Shri Ranjeet Puranik	: Shree Dhootpapeshwar Limited, Mumbai
23.	Dr. Nandini K Kumar	: Forum for Ethics Review Committees in India (FERCI), Chennai
24.	Dr. S. K. Maulik	: ICMR
25.	Dr. Sumeet Goel	: Ministry of Ayush, New Delhi
26.	Smt. Rachna Sehgal	: Member Secretary, AYDC & Head, Ayush

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27. Shri Rajeev Sharma, DDG (Standardization-I)
28. Dr. Kumar Vivekanand, Scientist-D
29. Dr. B. Venkateshwar Rao, Scientist-C
30. Dr. Mahe Alam, Scientist-C
31. Dr. Ragavendra Naik, Scientist-C
32. Dr. Kiruthiga. G, Scientist-B
33. Ms. Himani Shokhand, Senior Consultant

REGRETS:

1. Dr Koustubha Upadhyaya, Adviser (Ayurveda), Drug Policy Section, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India.
2. Dr. Pradeep Multani, Chairman Multani Pharmaceutical Ltd. Association of Manufacturers of Ayurvedic Medicines, (AMAM).
3. Shri Nishant Jain, Managing Director, B Jain Pharmaceutical, Homoeopathy drug manufacturers Association.
4. Dr. AB Remashree Director (Research) & Finance in charge, Spices Board, Cochin.
5. Dr. Ramesh P.R., Chief, Clinical Research Department, Arya Vaidya Sala, Kottakkal.
6. Vaidya Jayant Deopujari, Chairman, NCISM, New Delhi.
7. Yogacharya S. Sridharan, Krishnamacharya Yoga Mandiram (KYM), Chennai.
8. Dr. R. K. Manchanda, Former Director, Govt. of NCT, Directorate of Ayush, New Delhi.
9. Head, SSD, BIS
10. Head, MHD, BIS
11. Head, FAD, BIS.