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NOTIFICATION

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No. 2/23/2023-Leg/L : The following Act of the Legislature of Manipur which received assent of the Governor of Manipur on September 11, 2026 is hereby published in the Official Gazette for general information:

THE MANIPUR AYUSH COUNCIL ACT, 2026

(MANIPUR ACT NO. 6 OF 2026)

AN

ACT

to provide for constitution of the Manipur AYUSH Council and the registration of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH in short) practitioners in the State of Manipur and matters connected therewith with a view to encourage the study and spread of AYUSH System in Manipur.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Manipur in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

Short title, extent and commencemet.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Manipur AYUSH Council Act, 2026.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of the State of Manipur.

(3) It shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette of Manipur.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:-

(a) "AYUSH" means Systems of Health Care and Healing in the streams of (1) Ayurveda (Ashtang Ayurveda), (2) Yoga and Naturopathy, (3) Unani (UnaniTibb), (4) Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and (5) Homoeopathy;

(b) "Member" means member of the Manipur AYUSH Council;

(c) "MHS" means Manipur Health Service.

(d) "Recognized AYUSH Qualification" means the Recognized AYUSH Medical Qualifications in the streams of (1) Ayurveda (Ashtang Ayurveda), (2) Yoga and Naturopathy, (3) Unani (UnaniTibb), (4) Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and (5) Homoeopathy;

as per the National Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH) Act, 2020 (No. 15 of 2020) & National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) Act, 2020 (No. 14 of 2020) as amended from time to time; while for Yoga & Naturopathy the guidelines (Rule no. (4), sub section (a) along with Form 'A'; application for Class 'A' Registration for an institutionally qualified Naturopathy Practitioner) issued vide letter no. R.15016/5/2004-Y&N dated the 4th Sept. 2006 from Government of India, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (Department of AYUSH) shall be adopted;

(e) "Registered Practitioner" means any person possessing recognized qualification in any of the disciplines of (1) Ayurveda (Ashtang Ayurveda), (2) Yoga and Naturopathy, (3) Unani (UnaniTibb), (4) Siddha, Sowa-Rigpa and (5) Homoeopathy registered under the provisions of this Act;

(f) "Registrar" means the Registrar appointed under this Act;

(g) "State Council" means the Manipur AYUSH Council constituted under this Act; and

(h) "State AYUSH Register" means the State AYUSH Register maintained under this Act.

Constitution and Composition of the State Council.

3.(1) The State Government shall, by notification in the Official Gazette, constitute for the purpose of this Act, a State Council to be called the Manipur AYUSH Council consisting of the following members, namely:-

(a) Director, AYUSH and the next senior-most MHS (AYUSH) (Grade-I/ II) Officer as the President and Vice-President respectively.

(b) 5(five) Members from MHS (AYUSH) Officers to be elected from amongst the members of MHS (AYUSH) Officers i.e. 1(one) member each from 5(five) streams of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy in the Grade of not less than Manipur Health Service (AYUSH) Grade-III

with a minimum of 7 (seven) years of regular service. The senior-most MHS Officer (AYUSH) in the Grade-III and above thus elected, shall be given preference as the senior-most shall serve as the Deputy Registrar and assist the Registrar in their respective streams of AYUSH;

(c) 1(one) Member to be elected by the All MHS (AYUSH) Doctors Association, Manipur State from amongst its members;

(d) Any other member (upto 4(four) members) from amongst qualified Doctors in the stream of Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy may be co-opted by the Council as deemed necessary with the approval of 75% of all the Council Members.

(2) No act done by the State Council shall be questioned on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy in, or defect in the constitution of the State Council.

4. The State Council shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and common seal, with power to acquire and hold property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall by the said name sue and be sued. — Incorporation of the State Council.

5. If any of the electoral bodies referred to in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 3 does not by such date as may be prescribed, elect a person to be a Member of the State Council, the State Government shall by notification in the Official Gazette, nominate to the vacancy a person qualified to be elected as a member of the respective category to fill in the vacancy, and the person so nominated shall be deemed to be a Member of the State Council as if he had been duly elected by the said body till the vacancy is filled in under sub-section (1) of section 3. — Nomination of Members in default of election.

6. (1) A person shall be disqualified for being elected or nominated as, and for being, a Member of the State Council, if he:- — Disqualification for membership.

(a) is not eligible for registration under this Act; or

(b) has been convicted for an offence involving moral turpitude; or

(c) is an undischarged insolvent.

(2) If any member becomes, or is found to be disqualified subject to any of the disqualification mentioned in sub-section (1), the State Council shall submit a report to the State Government, and the State Government if satisfied about the disqualifications, shall declare his seat vacant.

7. The State Council may grant leave of absence to any Member for a period not exceeding six months. — Leave of absence to Members.

8. (1) A Member of the State Council shall be deemed to have vacated his seat: - — Cessation of Membership.