

## **Ayush Visa for Medical Value Travel**

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Recently, the Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) highlighted the **Ayush Visa**, an initiative to promote **medical value travel (MVT)** for foreigners seeking treatment in **India's traditional medicine systems**.

- **About: Ayush Visa** introduced in 2023 with four sub-categories: Ayush Visa (AY-1), Ayush Attendant Visa (AY-2), e-Ayush Visa, and e-Ayush Attendant Visa.
- Purpose: To allow foreigners to receive treatment through <u>Ayush systems</u> like therapeutic care and wellness in accredited hospitals or wellness centers.
- Accreditation: Treatment is available at facilities accredited by government authorities
  or National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH), National
  Commission for Homoeopathy (NCH), and National Commission for Indian System of
  Medicine (NCISM) accredited hospitals providing Ayush services.
- Medical Value Travel Initiatives:
  - Advantage Healthcare India Portal: A one-stop portal for international patients seeking medical or wellness treatment in India.
  - Ayush Medical Value Travel Summit 2024: Organized in September 2024 in Mumbai, focusing on integrating traditional Indian medicine with modern healthcare for global synergy.

Read more: National Strategy and Roadmap for Medical and Wellness Tourism

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