

## MEDICAL AND HEALTH

The Medical and Health Department of the State is working towards control and eradication of infectious and other diseases and for providing curative and preventive services to the people. Medical and health services are being provided in the State through a network of government as well as private institutions at various levels.

### Number of Government Allopathic Medical Institutions (As on 31/03/2004)

Serial No.	Institutions	Number
1.	Hospitals	120
2.	Community Health Centres	297
3.	Primary Health Centres (Rural)	1473
4.	Primary Health Centres (Urban)	29
5.	Dispensaries	209
6.	Maternity and Child Welfare	118
7.	Sub-centres	9926
8.	Aid Post	13
9.	In-patient Beds	38687

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In order to control Infant Mortality Rate and to provide safeguards against serious diseases, an Intensive Child Immunisation Programme has been launched in the State. Following two schemes are also being implemented in the State for welfare of the people living below poverty line:

1. Chief Minister's Jeevan Raksha Kosh: This scheme, launched in the year 1999-2000, provides financial assistance to those who are living below poverty line and suffering from serious diseases.
2. Medicare Relief Card: This scheme was started in the year 1999. Under this, Medicare Relief Cards are given to the members of families living below poverty line in rural and urban areas. Cardholders are entitled to avail of free medical facilities in all the medical institutions set up by state government.

### Employees Staff Insurance Scheme

Under the Employees Staff Insurance Scheme, the Government of Rajasthan provides medical facilities to industrial labourers and their family members through a wide network of allopathic & homeopathic hospitals and dispensaries including ESI hospitals at Jaipur, Jodhpur, Kota, Bhilwara and Pali.

### Ayurveda and Other Systems of Medicine

At present, Rajasthan offers facilities of traditional Indian therapies through an extensive network of 3731 hospitals/dispensaries comprising 3530 Ayurveda centres, 115 Homeopathic centres, 81 Greek and 5 Naturopathic hospitals under the aegis of Department of Ayurveda. The department not only provides medical facilities to the patients but also distributes medicines free of cost. The doctors, nurses, compounders and other staff of the department have also been contributing towards successful implementation of various healthcare programmes of national significance such as Pulse Polio Programme, Family Welfare Programme and Medical examination of students etc.

Medical Institutions / Therapies	Rural	Urban	TOTAL
<b>Hospital</b>			
A. Ayurveda	24	54	78
B. Greek	-	03	03
C. Homeopathy	-	02	02
D. Naturopathy	-	02	02
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>85</b>

<b><u>Dispensary</u></b>			
A. Ayurveda	3293	159	3452
B. Greek	0039	039	0078
C. Homeopathy	0050	063	0113
D. Naturopathy	0001	002	0003
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3383</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>3646</b>
<b><u>Mobile Surgical Unit</u></b>			
(Ayurveda) 200 beds	-	1	1
<b><u>Mobile Medical Unit</u></b>			
(Ayurveda)	6	-	6
<b><u>In-patient Beds</u></b>			
A. Ayurveda	144	980	1124
B. Greek	-	030	0030
C. Homeopathy	-	010	0010
D. Naturopathy	-	022	0022
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>1042</b>	<b>1186</b>
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Department of Ayurveda was setup in the state at the time of independence. In addition to the Directorate at the state level, offices of Regional Deputy Directors and District Ayurvedic Officers have also been established at the Divisional and District headquarters respectively to enable effective functioning of the department.

#### **Nature Cure Centres:**

Over the years, Rajasthan has developed a sound medical infrastructure including modern healthcare facilities. At the same time, the state has also successfully preserved and promoted the traditional Indian therapies like Ayurveda, Homeopathy, Yoga & Meditation and Naturopathy. There are a number of nature cure and yoga centres that offer a system of healthcare with adequate facilities and diagnostic methods including steam bath, mud bath, rigorous dieting and physical exercises. Massages, treatments using