

## India & Thailand announce academic collaboration in traditional medicine

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### To promote, facilitate, and develop academic collaboration in the field of Ayurveda and Thai Traditional Medicine



The National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur under the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India and Department of Thai Traditional and Alternative Medicine of the Ministry of Public Health, Government of the Kingdom of Thailand have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the establishment of an Academic Collaboration in Ayurveda and Thai Traditional Medicine.

B.K. Singh, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, and Dr Taweessin Visanuyothin, Director General, Department of Thai Traditional and Alternative Medicine, Thailand signed the MoU in the presence of other dignitaries.

The initiative has been taken to promote, facilitate, and develop academic collaboration in the field of Ayurveda and Thai Traditional Medicine based on equality and mutual benefit of the participants. This MoU will facilitate the exchange of experts for research and training programmes, academic and technical activities, and conducting research, exchange of information, technologies, and best practices of Traditional Medicine.

The participants will take necessary steps to encourage and promote cooperation in facilitating academic and technical activities and conducting research for mutual benefits, such as exchanging and accommodating experts, teaching instructors, practitioners, and students for research and training programmes; promoting the participation of experts in conferences, workshops, seminars, and events held by the participants and other important areas of cooperation.

NIA and Department of Thai Traditional and Alternative Medicine, Thailand will share information on regulatory mechanisms, best practice, guidelines of practice and courses of study and training; and organise conferences/meetings alternately in India and Thailand and reviewing the progress of the implementation of the MoU and the evaluation of the results of collaborative programmes.