

CITIZEN CHARTER

Introduction

The Central Council for Research in Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy (CCRIMH) was established by the Government of India in 1969 to develop scientific research in different branches of Indian Systems of Medicine viz. Unani Medicine, Ayurveda, Siddha, Yoga, Naturopathy and Homoeopathy. The research activities in these systems continued under the aegis of the CCRIMH till 1978. Then it was split up into four separate research councils, one each for Unani Medicine, Ayurveda and Siddha, Yoga and Naturopathy and Homoeopathy so as to develop these systems in consonance with the basic philosophies of the respective systems. The Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine was established on 30th March 1978 as a registered society under the Societies Registration Act 1860 and started functioning independently from 10th January 1979. Since its establishment, the Council has been making concerted efforts to provide scientific basis to this age-old system and to come up with viable solutions to the health problems of the people. The Unani System of Medicine is a comprehensive medical system which meticulously deals with the various states of health and disease. The system is based on a unique concept of Akhlat (Humoral Theory). It provides promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative healthcare. The fundamentals, diagnosis and treatment modalities of the system are based on scientific principles and holistic concepts of health and healing. Its holistic approach considers individual in relation to his environment and stresses on health of body, mind and soul. Considering the approach and efficiency of the system, the Council has expanded its network and operates through 23 Institutes/ Units located all over India.

Vision

- To strive for excellence and global leadership in the field of Unani Medicine by comprehensive research for quality assured and cost-effective products to prevent/ manage/ cure various diseases.

Mission

- To develop CCRUM into a dynamic, vibrant and model research organization for undertaking, coordinating, aiding and promoting research in Unani Medicine.
- To bring-up modern scientific knowledge technology to explore classical Unani scientific treasures following prevalent scientific methods through inter disciplinary approach.
- To attain global leadership in research for treatment and prevention of emerging diseases of public health importance.

Key Objectives

- Formulation of aims and patterns of research on scientific lines in Unani Medicine
- To undertake research or any other programmes in Unani Medicine

- Prosecution of and assistance in research and propagation of knowledge and experimental measures generally in connection with the causation, mode of spread and prevention of diseases
- To initiate, aid, develop and co-ordinate scientific research on different aspects, fundamental and applied, of Unani Medicine, and to promote and assist institutions of research for the study of diseases, their prevention, causation and remedy
- To finance enquiries and researches for the furtherance of the objectives of the Council
- To exchange information with other institutions, associations and societies interested in the objectives similar to those of the Council, especially in the observation and study of diseases in the East in general and India in particular
- To prepare, print, publish and exhibit any papers, posters, pamphlets, periodicals and books for furtherance of the objectives of the Council and to contribute to such literature

Governance

The Council is governed by a Memorandum of Associations, Rules and Regulations and Byelaws and powers delegated there under.

Management

The policies, directions and overall functioning of the Council are regulated by the Governing Body (GB). Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, is the president of the Governing Body and has general control over the affairs of the Council.

Standing Finance Committee (SFC) under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, considers and recommends various financial proposals, developmental activities, etc.

Monitoring

Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC), headed by an expert of Unani Medicine as its chairman and reputed scientists in different disciplines as members of the committee, provides direction to the research activities.

Scientific Advisory Committee is supported by five research Sub-Committees, ie. Clinical Research Sub-Committee, Drug Standardization Research Sub-Committee, Survey and Cultivation of Medicinal Plants Research Sub-Committee, Literary Research Sub-Committee and a committee for Claim-of-Cure which has been constituted to examine the claim for treatment of various diseases.

In accordance with the standard guidelines to look into the ethical issues involved in research studies undertaken by the Council, the Institutional Ethics Committees (IECs) have been constituted in all the clinical research centers of the Council.

Research Activities and Achievements

The major research programmes of the council include:

- Clinical Research Programme
 - Pharmacological/ Toxicological Studies on 188 drugs have been completed
 - Clinical Studies on 107 new investigational drugs and validation of 28 pharmacopoeia drugs have been completed
 - Ten Patents have been granted by the IPO.
Besides, validation of Fundamental concepts and Ilaj bit Tadbeer (Regimenal Therapy) have also been done by the Council.
- Drug Standardization Research Programme
 - Six volumes of National Formulary of Unani Medicine containing 1228 drugs have been published
 - SOPs for 298 single drugs in six volumes of Unani Pharmacopoeia of India Part-I and 100 formulations in two volumes of Part-II have been published
- Survey and Cultivation of Medicinal Plants Programme
 - More than one lakh plant specimens have been collected from different ethno- Pharmacological survey in 13 states
 - Eighteen Monographs/ Books on medicinal plants/ folklore claims have been published
- Literary Research Programme
 - Development of Standard Unani Medical Terminology of 4028 terms (a WHO Project) has been completed
 - Translation of 57 Unani Classical Books has been completed
- Research Oriented Extension Health Services
- Information, Education and Communication

Dissemination of Research Activities

It has been carried out by way of

- Publications in Scientific Journals/ Monographs/ Success Stories
- Participation in National and International Seminars/ Conferences/ Workshops
- Participation in Health Mela/ Exhibitions
- Organizing Continuing Medical Education Programmes

Training

As part of continuing medical education programme, the Council organizes the following:

- Brain Storming Session
- Hands on Training
- Workshop/ Training Programme
- Capacity Building

Services

The major services provided by the council include:

- Providing healthcare services to general public through OPDs/IPDS of research institutes/ Units.
- Taking up research projects and other activities as per the recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Committee, Governing Body of the Council and the Ministry of AYUSH for the development of Unani Systems of Medicine.
- Providing infrastructural, logistic and administrative support to the Institutes/ Units of the Council for carrying out their activities, projects etc.
- Providing information related to research to the practitioners of Unani Systems of Medicine and other stake-holders.
- Conducting SRPP Programme in identified villages covered by 12 institutes of the Council
- Integration of Unani in NPCDCS Programme at Lakhimpur Kheri district of UP for early screening, prevention and management of the selected NCDs
- GOPD Programme
- RCH OPD
- Senior Citizen (Geriatric Care) OPDs
- PTA OPD
- Mobile Health Programme

- School Health Programme

- Unani Medical Centers in Tertiary Care Hospital

- Health Camps

- Library and information Services

- Providing information on Unani Systems of Medicine particularly research etc. to the Ministry of AYUSH from time to time.

- Providing support services to:
 - a) Extra-Mural Research Scheme of the Ministry of AYUSH by providing technical support.
 - b) Public Intervention Programmes by integrating in the component of Unani Systems of Medicine.
 - c) Promoting Post-Graduation and Ph.D. Programmes at the council's centers viz. Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine, Hyderabad and Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine, Srinager, Jammu and Kashmir.

Other Activities

- Healthcare Activities under Gender Component Plan for Women
- Healthcare Activities in the North-Eastern Region
- Healthcare Activities under the Special Component Plan for Scheduled Caste and scheduled Tribes Sub-Plan

Publications

The Council has been known for its Publications. Besides the regular publications like (i) Hippocratic Journal of Unani Medicine: A quarterly peer-reviewed journal; (ii) Jahan-e-Tib: A quarterly Urdu journal; and (iii) CCRUM Newsletter: A bimonthly news bulletin in English and Hindi; it has also been publishing various publications under different programmes. Visit our website for more details.

Administration and Accounts

The Council strictly adheres to the rules and regulations of the Government of the India for all the matters related to administration and accounts. Accounts are verified by the CAG annually.

Timeline

The Public Grievances are addressed within the period of two months as per the guidelines of the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances. Timeline is also strictly observed with reference to the research projects, publications, services and other activities.

Website

The Council maintains its own website where information about the Council's activities along with its Institutes/ Units is uploaded in the public domain (ccrum.res.in)

Complaints and Grievances

The Council has designated Public Grievance Officer and Chief Vigilance Officer to look after the complaints and grievances received from various quarters. The complaints and grievances may be addressed to:

- **Public Grievance Officer**
Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine,
Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India,
61-65, Institutional Area, Janakpuri, (Opposite D Block)
New Delhi-110058
- **Chief Vigilance Officer**
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Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India,
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For further details you may visit our website ccrum.res.in or you may write to the

- **Director General**

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