

Visit of AYUSH Delegation to Hungary, 01-04 October 2017

A four member delegation consisting of Dr. Rajesh Kotecha, Special Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH, Prof. K. S. Dhiman, Director General, Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), New Delhi, Dr. Geetha Krishnan, Head of Department of Integrated Medicine, Medanta Mediciti Hospital, New Delhi, and Prof. Dr. Bhushan Patwardhan, Director of Center for Integrative and Complementary Health (CICH), Pune visited Hungary from 1-4 October, 2017 in connection with the establishment of the European Institute of Ayurvedic Sciences (EIAS) at University of Debrecen. An MOU was signed on 01 October 2017 at the University of Debrecen. Prof. K. S. Dhiman, Director General, CCRAS and Dr. Laszlo Csernoch Vice-Rector for Scientific Affairs at the University of Debrecen signed the Memorandum in the presence of the Ambassador of India, H.E. Mr. Rahul Chhabra.



Thereafter they had a tour of the University Campus and visited the Ayush Chair where the future plan of the EIAS was portrayed. The visiting delegation interacted with the scientific research group of the University of Debrecen during dinner.



On 2nd October 2017 the delegation attended the Symposium on Evidence Based Ayurveda with the title of "Integration in Research and Clinical Practice" at the Aula of the University of Debrecen. Over 75 researchers, students and medical doctors attended the event.



The event was opened by welcome remarks of Prof. Dr. Asmita Wele and Ambassador of India, Mr. Rahul Chhabra. Several speakers from the Ayush Delegation and from the University of Debrecen gave an overview on Ayurveda Research and Practice. The event ended with Indian Cultural performances organized by the Embassy of India, Budapest.

On 3 October, 2017 the visiting delegation had meeting with Dr. Péter Medgyessy, former Prime Minister and Founder and Head of the Foundation of Traditional Indian Medicine for the Public Health in Hungary. Dr. Medgyessy informed the delegation about two Ayurveda Conferences scheduled to be held in Hungary in September-October 2018 {two topics: geriatrics and allergies} and the second one in 2019 {topic: natural alternatives of antibiotics}.



The visiting delegation subsequently met with Dr. Zoltán Ónodi-Szűcs, Minister of State for Health Care, Government of Hungary. They discussed the ongoing collaboration between the two governments in this field.

