

1. Overview

Objectives of the Council

Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India. The CCRS is an autonomous organization registered under the Societies Act in July 2010. The Ministry of AYUSH was created during the year 2014 for effective development and promotion of AYUSH systems. Central Council for Research in Siddha was established as a separate council during the year 2010, bifurcated from the erstwhile Central Council for Research in Ayurveda and Siddha (CCRAS). It is an apex body for Siddha system of medicine in India and an authority for setting up the standards of research in Siddha with regard to Siddha system of medicine for arriving the methodologies and guidelines.

The activities of the Council are carried out through its 8 Institutes / Units located all over India. The Council has also taken up collaborative studies with various Universities, Hospitals and Institutes to widen the research perspectives. In addition to these activities the Council is conducting outreach activities viz. Swasthya Rakshan Programme and Swachta Action Plan.

The objectives for which the Central Council for Research in Siddha has been established are:

1. The formulation of aims and patterns of research on scientific lines in Siddha.
2. To undertake any research or other programmes in Siddha.
3. The prosecution of and assistance in research, propagation of knowledge and experimental measures generally in connection with the causation, mode of spread and prevention of diseases.
4. To initiate, aid, develop and coordinate scientific research activities on various aspects especially fundamental and applied aspects of Siddha and to promote and assist research institutions for the study of disease cause, prevention and remedy.
5. To finance enquiries and researches for the furtherance of objectives of the Central Council.
6. To exchange information with other institutions, associations and societies interested in the objects similar to those of the Central Council especially in observation and study of diseases in India.
7. To prepare, print, publish and exhibit papers, posters, pamphlets, periodicals and books for furtherance of the objectives of the Central Council.
8. To issue appeals and make applications for money and funds in furtherance of the objectives of the Central Council and to accept for the aforesaid purpose gifts, donations and subscriptions of cash and securities and of any property whether movable or immovable.

9. To borrow or raise funds with or without security or on security mortgage charge, hypothecation or pledge of all or any of the immovable or movable properties belonging to the Central Council or in any other manner whatsoever.
10. To invest and deal with the funds and monies of the Central Council or entrusted to the Central Council not immediately required in such a manner as may from time to time be determined by the General Body of the Central Council.
11. To permit the funds of the Central Council to be held by the Government of India.
12. To acquire and hold, whether temporarily or permanently any movable or immovable property necessary or convenient for the furtherance of the objects of the Central Council.
13. To sell, lease, mortgage and exchange and otherwise transfer any of the properties movable or immovable of the Central Council provided prior approval of the Central Government is obtained for the transfer of immovable property.
14. To purchase, construct, maintain and alter any buildings or works necessary or convenient for the purpose of the Central Council.
15. To undertake and accept the management of any endowment or trust fund for donation, undertaking or acceptance whereof may seem desirable.
16. To offer prizes and grant of scholarships, including travelling scholarships in furtherance of the objects of the Central Council.
17. To create administrative, technical and ministerial and other posts under the Society and to make appointments thereto in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Society.
18. To establish a provident fund and/or pension fund for the benefit of the Council's employees and / or their family members.
19. To do all such lawful things either alone or in conjunction with others as the Central Council may consider necessary or as being incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.
20. To undertake R & D Consultancy projects and transfer of patents on drugs and processes to industries.
21. To undertake R & D projects sponsored by industries in public / private sector.
22. To undertake international and inter-agency collaboration.
23. Utilization of results of research conducted and payment of share of royalties / consultancy fees to those who have contributed towards pursuit of such research.
24. To enter into arrangements with scientific agencies of other Countries for exchange of scientists, study tours, training in specialized areas, conducting joint projects etc.
25. To provide technical assistance to Govt. / Private Agencies in matters consistent with the activities of the Council.
26. To assist Medicinal Plants Board, Government of India in achieving its objectives.

27. To constitute small Management Committees consisting of eminent Scientists / Physicians of local areas to monitor the R & D activities and suggest remedial measures for the improvement of activities of all Central as well as Research Institutes of the Council.

Vision

To promote research activities, contributing towards the globalization of Siddha system of Medicine.

Mission

- Encourage and support ethical research in Siddha system of medicine.
- Provide skilled researchers to the community.
- Serve the public through world class research in Siddha system of medicine.
- Advocate and disseminate knowledge in Siddha research to improve the quality of life.

The activities of the Council are

- Clinical Research
- Pre-clinical Research / Pharmacological Research
- Drug Research
- Medicinal Plant Research (Medico-Ethno Botanical Research, Pharmacognosy)
- Literary Research and Documentation

Apart from these activities the Council is conducting outreach activities viz. Swasthya Rakshan Programme and Swachta Action Plan.

The activities of the Council are carried out through its Institutes/Centres/Units located all over India.

1. Siddha Central Research Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
2. Siddha Regional Research Institute, Puducherry
3. Siddha Regional Research Institute, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
4. Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Palayamkottai, Tamil Nadu
5. Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, Mettur, Tamil Nadu
6. Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Karol Bagh, New Delhi
7. Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Bengaluru, Karnataka
8. Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh
9. Siddha Wing, AYUSH Wellness Clinic, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi
10. Siddha OP Wing at All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi
11. Siddha Medical Services Unit, Health Centre, Pondicherry University

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