Background:
The proposal of establishment of AIIA at New Delhi has emanated from the then Hon’ble Prime Minister’s (Sh. Atal Bihari Vajpayee) declaration to set up a state-of-the art National Ayurveda Hospital at the ceremonial function of Vaidya Ram Narayan Sharma Memorial Award Distribution organized on 5th May 2000 under the aegis of All India Ayurveda Congress. Department of AYUSH spearheaded the proposal that after a series of discussion culminated in to setting up a Centre of Excellence of Ayurveda with postgraduate education, health care and research facilities. The Delhi Development Authority has allotted about eleven acres of land near Sarita Vihar on Delhi-Mathura Road for the proposed institute. Consequent upon grant of in-principle approval of the Finance Ministry in 2003, the Hon’ble Vice President of India Shri. Bhairon Singh Shekhawat laid down the foundation stone on 14th February 2004. The Government of India has considered the proposal and recommended in-principle to develop the institute focused on R&D, safety evaluation and quality standards of Ayurveda medicines.
**Introduction:**
The All India Institute of Ayurveda is conceived as an Apex Institute for Ayurveda. It aims at bringing a synergy between Traditional Wisdom of Ayurveda and Modern tools and technology. The institute would offer postgraduate and doctoral courses in various disciplines of Ayurveda and will focus on fundamental research of Ayurveda, drug development, standardization, quality control, safety evaluation and scientific validation of Ayurvedic medicine. It will have a 200 bed referral hospital for facilitating clinical research. Once fully established, the Institute will have 25 Specialty Departments and 12 clinics with 8 inter-disciplinary research laboratories wherein 120 Scholars will have access for PG & Ph.D programs every year. The hospital will be equipped with state of the art modern diagnostic tools and techniques which will be used in teaching, training and research. The patient care will be done primarily through Ayurveda of tertiary level. This institute shall also have an international collaborative centre for global promotion and research in Ayurveda.

**Objectives:**

1. To set up benchmarks of Postgraduate and Post-Doctoral Education (MD/Ph.D.) in Ayurveda and to Promote Ayurveda at National and International Level.

2. To undertake interdisciplinary research primarily focused on validation of fundamental principles of Ayurveda using modern tools and technology.

3. Standardization and Quality control of Ayurveda Drugs and Drug development.

4. To establish a State-of-art tertiary care hospital with facilities for clinical research.

5. Create standards for education and research at its highest level so that other institutes can opt as a model

6. To bring a synergy between ancient wisdom of Ayurveda and advantages of modern diagnostics, technology and management

7. To promote collaborative research with various R&D institutions at national & international level institutes

8. To function as a model center for international collaboration
Proposed Specialty Clinics:

1. Geriatric Clinic (Jara Chikitsa)
2. Hepato-biliary Clinic (Yakrit chikitsa)
3. Clinic for terminally ill patients of cancer (Jeerna Arbud Chikitsa)
4. Diabetes & Obesity Clinic (Madhumeha evam Medoroga Chikitsa)
5. Skin & Allergy Clinic (Tvak evam Anurjata chikitsa)
6. Hypertension & Cardiac Clinic (Uchcha Raktachap evam Hridaya Roga Chikitsa)
7. Psychiatric Clinic (Manoroga Chikitsa)
8. Infertility Clinic (Vandhyatva Chikitsa)
9. Arthritis, musculoskeletal & neuromuscular disorders Clinic (Vata Vyadhi Chikitsa)
10. Urinary disorders Clinic (Mutra Roga Chikita)
11. Diabetic foot care & wound clinic (Prameha pidika & Vrana Chikitsa)
12. Netra Kriyakalpa (Ocular Procedures)

Out Patient Services (w.e.f 26.10.2010):
Shri S. Gandhiselvan, Hon’ble Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare inaugurated the Out Patient Services at All India Institute of Ayurveda on the 26th October, 2010. Smt. S. Jalaja, Secretary, Department of AYUSH, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare was the guest of honor during the inauguration function.


As per the targets, the All India Institute of Ayurveda would be functional by March, 2012.