FOREWORD

The importance of health care system under AYUSH at various levels is recognized globally. With creation of separate Ministry of AYUSH in the year 2014 and also celebration of International Day of Yoga (IDY) on 21st June every year, AYUSH system has got a further boost. For effective implementation of any schemes/programmes, there is need of timely availability of authentic information/statistics. Accordingly, the Planning and Evaluation Division of the Ministry of AYUSH has been regularly bringing out a statistical annual publication “AYUSH IN INDIA”.

I am happy that Planning and Evaluation Division has brought out the 29th issue of the publication “AYUSH IN INDIA-2017”. This annual publication provides the comprehensive statistics on AYUSH system in the country collected from various agencies including Centre/State Governments.

I place on record my appreciation of the excellent efforts and team work put in by the officers and staff of the Planning and Evaluation Division of the Ministry of AYUSH in completing this gigantic task timely.

Any suggestion for the further improvement of the publication is most welcome.

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