

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF UNANI MEDICINE, BENGALURU

Aims & Objectives of the National Institute of Unani Medicine (Deemed to be University)

INTRODUCTION

National Institute of Unani Medicine was established in 1984 as an autonomous organization under the Dept. of AYUSH, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (Now Ministry of AYUSH), Govt. of India and registered under the Karnataka Society Act 1960 for promoting the growth and development of Unani medicine as a model Institute for evolving high standards of Teaching, Training, Research, Patient Care and also to invoke scientific outlook to the knowledge of Unani System of Medicine.

On 8 November 1995, (late) Mr Abdur Rahman Antulay, Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of India laid the Foundation stone for the Institute. Ultimately, it was inaugurated by (late) Mrs Sushma Swaraj, the then Minister of Health & Family Welfare Govt. of India on 20th December 2003. The Institute got affiliation from Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore, Karnataka.

The institute offers Post Graduate courses in 10 disciplines of Unani Medicine, viz. Moalajat (Medicine), Ilmu Advia (Pharmacology), Tahaffuzi wa Samaji Tib (PSM), Qabalat wa Amraze Niswan (OBG), Ilmu Saidla (Unani Pharmacy), Kulliyat Umooor Tabiya (Basic principles of Unani Medicine), Ilaj Bit Tadbeer (Regimenal Therapy), Ilmu Jarahat (Surgery), Amraze Jild wa Tazeeniyat (Skin and cosmetology) and Mahiyatul Amraz (Pathology). The Institute also offers Ph.D. programme in Moalajat and Ilmu Advia. During this period, the Institute grew tremendously in the field of Teaching, Training, Research, Patient Care etc.

The institute is spread over 50 acres of land and consists of 180 bedded hospital, academic block, administrative block, library, guest house, indoor games hall, separate hostel buildings for boys and girls, canteen, pharmacy unit, animal house, drug museum cum herbarium, herbal garden, central instrumentation facility laboratory, drug standardization laboratory and certain other laboratories attached to the hospital and academic block. The library is having classical and latest books, manuscripts and journals etc. with the facility of reading room, and is equipped with internet facility for staff and students both. An auditorium has also been constructed in the campus for organizing various academic activities like conferences, workshops and seminars etc.

The academic departments of the institute are engaged in conducting research to validate the Unani concepts and generate data for safety and efficacy of Unani drugs. The main areas of research are pre-clinical and clinical studies, basic principles of Unani medicine and survey studies. The quality of research is monitored by the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) for Biomedical Research, Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) and Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC). Faculty members and P.G. Scholars regularly publish their research paper in indexed and peer reviewed National and International Journals. The institute publishes a Bi-annual Journal namely "Journal of Research in Unani Medicine" in English and Bi-annual Journal namely "Tarjumane Tib" in Urdu and a Newsletter. The institute regularly organizes academic activities like CMEs, Workshops, Seminars and Guest lectures, etc. Faculty members are also deputed to various training programme to enhance their profession skills. The institute

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actively participates in AROGYA Melas held across the country to popularize Unani System of Medicine. The Institute has also been designated as intermediary Pharmacovigilance centre for Unani drugs.

The NIUM hospital has an OPD wing and 180 bedded IPD having separate wards for male and female patients. It possesses good infrastructure and skilled staff extending their services round the clock to the patients. The treatment of poor patients in the OPD is free of cost and diet is provided to the patients free of cost in IPD. No registration fee is collected from SC/ST patients and Senior citizens and offered 50% rebate on all medical investigations. Almost all the investigations done are free of cost for the IPD patients. BPL patients are also similarly treated. Regimenal Therapy unit and neurorehabilitation unit of the hospital are the main focus for the patients. The hospital runs general and specialized OPDs for diabetes, obesity, geriatrics, etc.

The hospital of the Institute is India's first NABH accredited Unani hospital.

A building at Ghaziabad (Uttar Pradesh) as an extension of NIUM has been approved by Ministry of AYUSH and is under construction. The Institute at Ghaziabad (UP) will function as a subsidiary centre under the National Institute of Unani Medicine.

Since its existence, NIUM has continuously been engaged in promoting reforms and developments in Unani System of Medicine at National and International level. The National Institute of Unani Medicine as premier Institute in the field of Unani medicine in education and training in the country and an institute par excellence in the domain of Education and Research in Unani medicine.

AIMS

- Improving the quality of higher education in Unani medicine.
- Expansion of postgraduates and Fellowship Programs and Training in various disciplines of Unani Medicine.
- Implementing practice-based research in treatment to give a scientific outlook to the patient care activities in Unani medicine and validate Unani medicine treatment.
- Undertaking various research activities for the welfare of humanity.
- Foreign exposure training programs for foreigners (medical as well as non-medical) interested in the basic knowledge as well as higher knowledge in Unani medicine.
- Providing expertise in Unani Medicine to foreigners interested in Unani Medicine.

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OBJECTIVES

1. To promote the Growth and Development of Unani medicine.
2. To undertake research in various subjects of Unani Medicine and provide training in teaching and research at PG and PhD level.
3. To produce postgraduates in all subjects of Unani Medicine.

FUNCTIONS

1. Post-Graduate and PhD level Programs, Teaching and Training leading to the award of Degrees of MD/MS (Unani medicine) and PhD (Unani Medicine).
2. Training to the Medical Officers and Teachers of Unani Medicine as sought from other State Governments.
3. Conducting ROTP, CME, TOT and alike programmes for the benefit of Unani Teachers, Medical Officers, and Physicians of the country for getting advanced and updated knowledge.
4. Collaborative Research with National level Institutions and also with foreign countries interested to adopt Unani medicine as a System of Medicine in their countries.
5. Foreign Exposure Training Programmes.
6. Undertaking PPP Projects for specialised Treatments, Training and Research.
7. Providing Unani medicine Treatment to the general public through its OPD and IPD (180 Beds). Dispensing of Unani medicine is free of cost for all patient of OPD/IPD.
8. Free registration and 50% rebate on investigations to the patients belonging to BPL, SC, ST and senior citizens.
9. Free registration and investigations for the patients of Beggar's colony, Bangalore.
10. Active Participation in Arogya Melas, Exhibitions, medical camps, National, International health awareness programmes, etc.
11. Conducting National and International level Seminars, Conferences, Workshops, Symposia etc.

VISION: The vision of the institute is to strengthen and promote excellence in education, research and patient care in Unani medicine.

MISSION:

- To impart quality education of Unani Medicine.
- To carry out research in Unani Medicine.
- To provide efficacious, safe and cost-effective health care solutions through creative applications of Unani medicine.

