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# Minister to launch IAS official's Ayurvedic medicines

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Patna: Life-saving Ayurvedic medicines developed by Bihar cadre IAS official S M Raju would be officially launched by Union minister of state for Ayush Shripad Yesso Naik in New Delhi on Tuesday. The drugs are anti-ageing syrup and for ortho, cardiovascular, liver, kidney and gastro related problems.

"Human body is made of cells. The Ayurvedic medicines developed by me multiply good cells and prevent the growth of bad cells. Many patients have been cured by my medicines," Raju told TOI on Sunday.

After the launch, the medicines would be available on major e-commerce websites. "Total 50% of the revenue to be generated by sale of my medicines would be spent on education of financially poor children in rural areas," said Raju.

An avid researcher in Ayurveda, Raju has been granted leave for two months, which is likely to be extended for another two months. "I have got good support from the state as well as central government. The government of India is also likely to put my medicines on clinical trial through the Ministry of Ayush," said Raju, who is in the rank of principal secretary.

Raju also claimed that he is open to pursue treatment of Tamil Nadu chief minister J Jayalalithaa, who is reportedly suffering from renal or kidney-related ailments.

The 1991-batch IAS officer claimed that based on study of Vedic literature, he has invented 14 medicines to cure serious health ailments. "The six medicines to be launched on October 11 were issued licence from the Ministry of Ayush in June last year. Eight more medicines have been issued licence in August, this year," said Raju, who has studied medicinal plantation as one of the subjects in his graduation in agricultural science.

The anti-ageing medicine to be launched by Ayush ministry on Tuesday is a combination of neem, bael, jamun, brahmi, amla, ashwagandha, hareetakhi, chirayata and karanja. "The anti-ageing medicine stimulates and rectifies a number of metabolic activities in human body."

About affordability, he said, "The price of my medicines is in the range of Rs1000-1600. But, for overall treatment of some serious ailments like kidney recovery, the cost of two-three medicines would be in the range of Rs9,000-10,000 and that for arthritis would be in the range of Rs6000-9000."

Raju said his Ayurvedic medicines would be distributed by a Bangalore-based company once launched officially.