### **Ministry of AYUSH**

# Ayurveda's immunity boosting measures for self care during COVID 19 crisis

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Ministry of AYUSH recommends the following self-care guidelines for preventive health measures and boosting immunity with special reference to respiratory health. These are supported by Ayurvedic literature and scientific publications.

#### **Recommended Measures**

### **I General Measures**

- 1. Drink warm water throughout the day.
- 2. Daily practice of Yogasana, Pranayama and meditation for at least 30 minutes as advised by Ministry of AYUSH (#YOGAatHome #StayHome #StaySafe)
- 3. Spices like Haldi (Turmeric), Jeera (Cumin), Dhaniya (Coriander) and Lahsun (Garlic) are recommended in cooking.

## **II Ayurvedic Immunity Promoting Measures**

1. Take Chyavanprash 10gm (1tsf) in the morning. Diabetics should take sugar free Chyavanprash.

- 2. Drink herbal tea / decoction (Kadha) made from Tulsi (Basil), Dalchini (Cinnamon), Kalimirch (Black pepper), Shunthi (Dry Ginger) and Munakka (Raisin) once or twice a day. Add jaggery (natural sugar) and / or fresh lemon juice to your taste, if needed.
- 3. Golden Milk- Half tea spoon Haldi (turmeric) powder in 150 ml hot milk once or twice a day.

## **III Simple Ayurvedic Procedures**

- 1. **Nasal application -** Apply sesame oil / coconut oil or Ghee in both the nostrils (Pratimarsh Nasya) in morning and evening.
- **2. Oil pulling therapy-** Take 1 table spoon sesame or coconut oil in mouth. Do not drink, Swish in the mouth for 2 to 3 minutes and spit it off followed by warm water rinse. This can be done once or twice a day.

## IV During dry cough / sore throat

- 1. Steam inhalation with fresh Pudina (Mint) leaves or Ajwain (Caraway seeds) can be practiced once in a day.
- 2. Lavang (Clove) powder mixed with natural sugar / honey can be taken 2-3 times a day in case of cough or throat irritation.
- 3. These measures generally treat normal dry cough and sore throat. However, it is best to consult doctors if these symptoms persist.
- 1 The above measures can be followed to the extent possible as per an individual's convenience.
- 2 These measures are recommended by following eminent Vaidyas from across the Country as they may possibly boost an individual's immunity against infections.

Disclaimer: The above advisory does not claim to be treatment for COVID 19.

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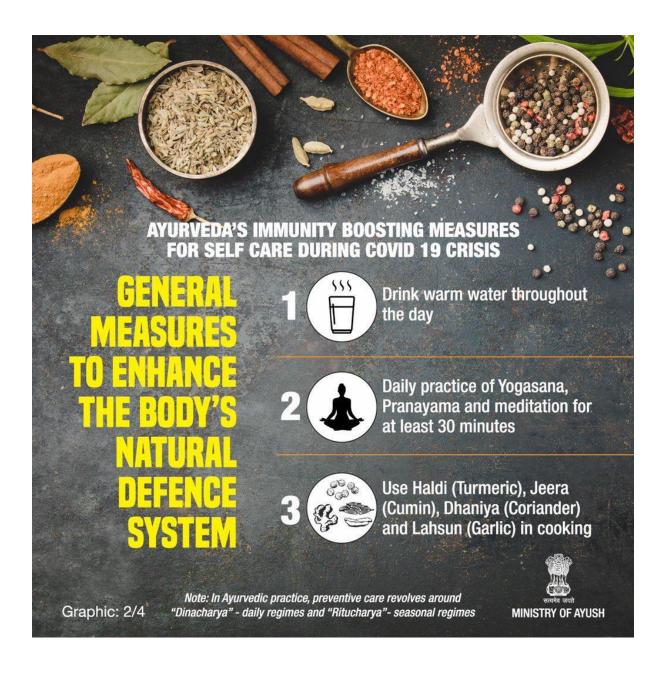
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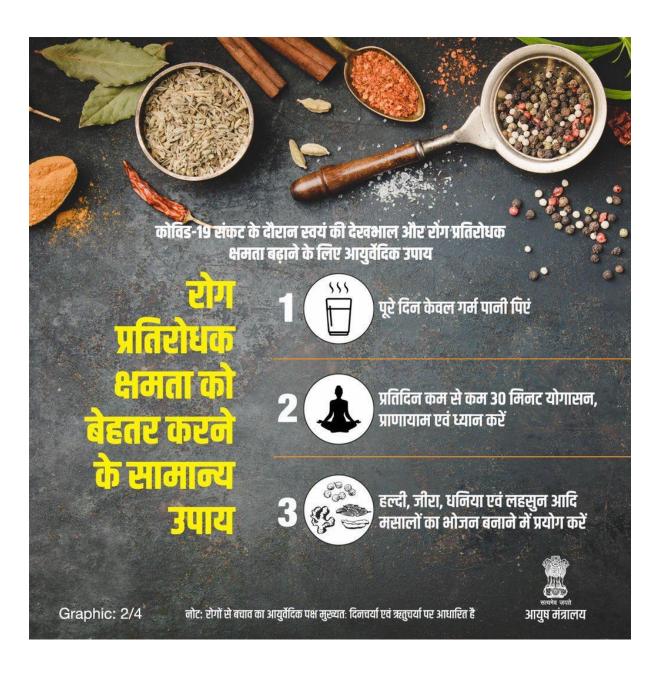
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Lavang (Clove) powder mixed with natural sugar / honey can be taken 2-3 times a day (It is best to consult a doctor if symptoms of dry cough and sore throat persist)

Note: Ayurveda is the science of life and it propagates the gifts of nature in maintaining healthy and happy living







## कोविड-१९ संकट के दौरान स्वयं की देखभाल और रोग प्रतिरोधक क्षमता बढ़ाने के लिए आयुर्वेदिक उपाय

# सामान्य आयुर्वेदिक प्रक्रियाएं



नस्य - सुबह एवं शाम तिल/नारियल का तेल या घी नाक के दोनों छिद्रों में लगाएं



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केवल 1 चम्मच तिल/नारियल तेल को मुंह में लेकर दो से तीन मिनट कुल्ले की तरह मुंह में ही घुमाएं। उसके बाद उसे कुल्ले की तरह ही थूक दें। फिर गर्म पानी से कुल्ला कर लें। ऐसा दिन में एक से दो बार करें

# खांसी/गले में खराश के लिए



दिन में कम से कम एक बार पुदीना के पत्ते/अजवाइन डाल कर पानी की भाप लें



खांसी या गले में खराश होने पर लौंग के चूर्ण में गुड़ या शहद मिलाकर दिन में दो से तीन बार लें (अगर ये लक्षण बने रहते हैं तो डॉक्टर से परामर्श लें)

नोट: आयुर्वेद आयु एवं स्वास्थ्य से जुड़ा विज्ञान होने के साथ ही प्रकृति के साधनों के प्रयोग पर जोर देता है



कोविड-19 संकट के दौरान स्वयं की देखभाल और रोग प्रतिरोधक क्षमता बढ़ाने के लिए आयुर्वेदिक उपाय कोविड-19 वैश्विक महामारी के प्रकोप से पूरे विश्व में मानवजाति पीड़ित है। ऐसे में शरीर को स्वस्थ बनाए रखने में उसके प्राकृतिक रोग प्रतिरोधक प्रणाली की भूमिका महत्वपूर्ण हो जाती है। इस रोग में बचाव ही सबसे अच्छी चिकित्सा है। सभी जानते हैं कि कोविड-19 महामारी की कोई दवा अभी तक नहीं बनी है। अत: इस रोग से बचने के लिए शरीर की रोग प्रतिरोधक क्षमता बढ़ाने के उपाय करना ही बेहतर है।

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