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Keralam can become an international centre for Panchakarma treatment, says President



CHENNAI – 28 Nov, 2026 President Droupadi Murmu has said Keralam holds a special place in preserving India's Ayurvedic heritage, and that the Ashtavaidyas and the Vaidyaratnam group have enriched medical knowledge through generations and enhanced Ayurveda's international reputation.

While addressing the valedictory ceremony of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Vaidyaratnam Ayurveda College, Thrissur on Friday, the President said Keralam can become an international centre for Panchakarma treatment. She congratulated the institution for 50 years of dedicated service to Ayurveda.

Recalling that the makers of the Constitution had stressed systematic education and scientific research in Ayurveda, she said documenting the Ashtavaidya texts, manuscripts and treatment traditions is a task of national importance. She urged Ayurveda colleges in Keralam to undertake joint research with institutions like the Ministry of Ayush and the WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre in Jamnagar, and to make Keralam an international reference centre for authentic and evidence-based Panchakarma.

Governor Om Prakash Mathur, Union Minister of State for Tourism and Petroleum Suresh Gopi, Minister for Health and Devaswom K. Muraleedharan, and Minister for Higher Education Roji M. John attended the ceremony.