Key Objectives /Functions and duties

1. Publication and revision of the Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India at suitable intervals and of such addenda or supplementary compendia during the intervening periods as may be deemed necessary; releasing the publications for public use from a date when they are to become official.

2. Publication and revision of the Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani Formularies of India, Homoeopathic pharmacopoeia as well as Homoeopathic Pharmaceutical Codex at regular intervals with a view to make it an authentic source of information on rational combination and use of medicines including their methods of preparation, therapeutic indications, adverse reactions, contra-indications, drug-drug interactions and similar issues concerning Indian medicines for safe use in humans and animals. Identification of Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani formulations and Homoeopathic pharmacopoeia as well as Homoeopathic Pharmaceutical Codex with a view to develop their quality standards and to ensure quality and safety of ASU & H medicine.

3. To nurture and promote awareness of quality in Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani drugs/formulations, Homoeopathic pharmacopoeia as well as Homoeopathic Pharmaceutical Codex and drug research on ASU products and publish regularly or at suitable intervals other related scientific information as authorized under the rules and procedures of the Commission.

4. Exchange information and interact with expert committees of the World Health Organization and other international bodies with a view to harmonize and develop the Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeial standards to make those internationally acceptable.

5. Arranging studies either under its own auspices or through collaboration with other institutions to develop standards and quality specifications for identity, purity and strength of raw materials and compound formulations and to develop Standard Operating Procedures for the process of manufacture included or to be included in the Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathic
Pharmacopoeia/formulary and its addenda or supplementary compendia or other authorized publications.

6. Maintain National repository of authentic reference raw materials used in the manufacture of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathic medicines for the purpose of reference and supply of reference standards to the stake holders at a price.

7. To assign responsibilities described for Pharmacopoeial Laboratory for Indian Medicine and Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act.

8. Generate and maintain repository of chemical reference marker compounds of the plants or other ingredients used in standardizing Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy medicines and supply them as reference standards to the stake holders on price.

9. Furtherance of the provision of Chapter IVA of Drugs & Cosmetic Act, 1940 in case ASU drugs & 4A of Schedule II of Drugs & Cosmetics Act in case of Homoeopathy medicine and rules there under related to Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani drugs and Homoeopathy medicine respectively.

10. Acting as a coordinating centre for analytical laboratories, industry and academia by encouraging exchange of scientific and technical information and staff and by undertaking sponsored funded research as well as consultancy projects.

11. Organizing national/international symposia, seminars, meetings and conferences in selected areas from time to time and to provide updated regular training to the regulatory authorities and stake holders.