

CASE REPORT

Madhumeha (T2dm) And Its Management Through Ayurveda: A Clinical Case Report

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ABSTRACT

The increasing prevalence of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) in India, driven by lifestyle changes, urbanization, and genetic factors, necessitates comprehensive and holistic management approaches. This case study was conducted at Jeena Sikho Lifecare Limited, Ambala, India, and evaluates the effectiveness of *Ayurvedic* interventions in managing T2DM in a 34-year-old female patient. The patient presented with a known history of T2DM and complaints of shortness of breath. Following a thorough *Ayurvedic* evaluation, an individualized treatment protocol was initiated, comprising *Ayurvedic* formulations, dietary modifications, and lifestyle interventions. Over a three-month period, notable improvements were observed. The patient's fasting blood sugar reduced from 307 mg/dl to 110 mg/dl, HbA_{1c} decreased from 9.3% to 7.5%, and average glucose levels dropped from 232 mg/dl to 169 mg/dl. In addition to glycemic control, symptoms such as fatigue and shortness of breath were alleviated, indicating enhanced overall well-being and metabolic balance. These findings suggest that *Ayurvedic* intervention can be an effective complementary approach in the management of T2DM, contributing to both symptomatic relief and improved metabolic parameters. However, larger, controlled studies are warranted to confirm safety, efficacy, and long-term benefits, and to help establish standardized guidelines for the integration of *Ayurvedic* care in diabetes management.

INTRODUCTION

The prevalence of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) in India is rapidly increasing, with projections estimating 134 million cases by 2045 ^[1]. This alarming rise is primarily attributed to lifestyle changes, urbanization, and genetic predisposition ^[2]. Alongside its physical impact, the psychological burden of diabetes plays a crucial role in influencing patient management and health outcomes ^[3]. A study utilizing

the Indian Diabetes Risk Score identified that 43% of participants were at high risk of developing T2DM ^[4]. Key risk factors include obesity, hypertension, and a sedentary lifestyle, with a strong correlation observed between Body Mass Index (BMI) and diabetes risk ^[5]. Enhancing patient education can significantly improve self-management and address socio-economic disparities in healthcare access ^[6]. T2DM profoundly affects health-related quality of life (HRQOL), with individuals frequently reporting diminished physical functioning and vitality compared to the general population ^[7]. Factors such as age, gender, and the presence of comorbidities further influence HRQOL among patients ^[8]. While managing the physical aspects of T2DM remains essential, equal emphasis must be placed on addressing

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psychological well-being and overall quality of life ^[9]. Adopting a holistic approach that integrates both physical and mental health considerations can lead to better clinical outcomes and enhanced patient satisfaction.

From an *Ayurvedic* perspective, T2DM, known as *Madhumeha*, is classified under the broader category of *Prameha*, a group of urinary disorders ^[10]. The pathogenesis of *Madhumeha* is primarily attributed to the vitiation of *Kapha* and *Vata doshas*, along with the involvement of *Medo Dhatu* (fat tissue) and *Mamsa Dhatu* (muscle tissue) ^[11]. Poor dietary habits, sedentary lifestyle, excessive intake of sweet and heavy foods, and mental stress lead to *Agni Mandya* (digestive fire impairment) and subsequent formation of *Ama*

(toxic metabolic waste). This results in improper metabolism and accumulation of *Meda* (fat) and *Kleda* (moisture) in the body^[12]. Over time, these imbalances obstruct the normal functioning of *Vata*, particularly *Apana Vata*, and disturb the urinary system, leading to frequent and excessive urination with a sweet taste, hallmark symptoms of *Madhumeha* ^[14]. Thus, T2DM in *Ayurveda* is seen as a systemic metabolic disorder involving *Dhatvagnimandya* (deranged tissue metabolism), *Srotorodha* (channel blockage), and *Ojakshaya* (depletion of vital energy), requiring a holistic approach involving correction of *doshic* imbalance, lifestyle regulation, dietary discipline, and rejuvenative therapies ^[14]. The *Samprapti Ghatak* ^[15] of this case is mentioned in **Fig 1**.

Fig 1. The Samprapti Ghatak

Dosha (Bio-energetic principles)	• <i>Kapha</i> (initially), <i>Vata</i> (dominant in chronic stage), with involvement of <i>Pitta</i> in some cases
Dushya (vitiated tissues)	• <i>Rasa</i> (plasma), <i>Rakta</i> (blood), <i>Mamsa</i> (muscle), <i>Meda</i> (fat), <i>Majja</i> (bone marrow), <i>Shukra</i> (reproductive fluid), <i>Ojas</i> (immunity)
Agni (Digestive/metabolic fire)	• <i>Mandagni</i> (low digestive fire), <i>Dhatvagni Mandya</i> (impaired tissue metabolism)
Ama (Toxic metabolic waste)	• Toxins formed due to incomplete digestion (present)
Srotas (Body channels)	• <i>Mutravah Srotas</i> (urinary system), <i>Medovah Srotas</i> (fat channels), <i>Rasavah Srotas</i> (plasma channels), <i>Mamsavah Srotas</i> (muscle channels)
Srotodushti Prakara (Types of channel vitiation)	• <i>Sanga</i> (obstruction), <i>Atipravritti</i> (excessive flow)
Udbhav Sthan (Site of origin)	• <i>Amashaya</i> (gastrointestinal tract)
Sanchar Sthan (Site of disease spread)	• <i>Rasa Dhatu</i> (plasma), <i>Meda Dhatu</i> (fat tissue)
Vyakti Sthan (Site of manifestation)	• <i>Mutravah Srotas</i> (urinary system)
Rog Marg (Path of disease)	• <i>Abhyantar Marg</i> (internal path)
Adhistan (Seat of disease)	• <i>Basti</i> (urinary bladder system)
Swabhav (Nature of disease)	• <i>Yapya</i> (manageable, chronic but not completely curable)

Ayurvedic management emphasizes a holistic approach that includes *Ayurvedic* formulations, dietary modifications, and lifestyle changes, all of which contribute to improved glycemic control and enhanced overall well-being ^[16]. *Ayurvedic* medicines have demonstrated efficacy in lowering blood glucose levels ^[17]. Dietary guidelines rooted in *Ayurvedic* principles advocate for the consumption of low glycemic index foods and a balanced nutritional plan tailored to individual constitution ^[18]. Lifestyle interventions such as regular physical activity and stress reduction techniques, including yoga and meditation, are integral to *Ayurvedic* care and support weight management and metabolic balance ^[19]. Clinical evidence supports the efficacy of these interventions. For instance, a case study documented a decrease in fasting blood sugar levels after three months of *Ayurvedic* treatment

^[20]. Similarly, an observational study reported a significant drop in HbA_{1c} levels within 90 days, suggesting the potential for remission, especially in obese patients ^[21]. While these findings are promising, it is important to recognize that not all patients may respond uniformly to *Ayurvedic* therapies, and some may require conventional medical treatment. Therefore, integrating *Ayurvedic* and modern biomedical approaches may offer a more comprehensive and personalized strategy for managing T2DM.

OBJECTIVE

This study explores the impact of *Ayurvedic* interventions in a 34-year-old female with Type 2 Diabetes mellitus.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Case Report

A 34-year-old female visited Jeena Sikho Lifecare Limited Hospital, Ambala, India, with known case of Type 2 Diabetes mellitus (T2DM) on April 08, 2025. Her evaluation included a thorough medical history, physical examination, and diagnostics. There was no relevant family history, surgical history and addiction. She presented with shortness of breath (*Shwas kricchta*). The *Ashta Vidh Pareeksha* during the first visit are mentioned in **Table 1**. The basic vitals during the visits are mentioned in **Table 2**. Laboratory investigation results during the treatment period are shown in **Table 3**.

Table 1 The Ashta Vidh Pareeksha during the visits

Date	08-04-2025
Nadi (Pulse)	Vataj Kaphaj
Mala (Stool)	Avikrit (Normal)
Mutra (Urine)	Phenil mutra (Frothy)
Jiwha (Tongue)	Saam (Coated)
Shabda (Voice)	Spashta (Normal)
Sparsha (Touch)	Anushna sheet (Normal)
Drik (Eye)	Avikrit (Normal)
Akriti	Madhyam

Table 2 The Basic vitals during the visits

Date	Blood pressure (mmHg)	Weight (Kg)	Sugar
08-04-2025	120/80 mmHg	58 Kg	307 mg/dl
30-04-2025	130/80 mmHg	56 Kg	254 mg/dl
06-06-2025	130/80 mmHg	56 Kg	229 mg/dl
08-07-2025	130/80 mmHg	56 Kg	110 mg/dl

Table 3 Laboratory investigation results on during the treatment period (Fig 2)

Parameter	Findings	
Date	08-04-2025	07-07-2025
HbA1c	9.3%	7.5%
Average Glucose	232 mg/dl	169 mg/dl

Treatment Plan

An accurately designed *Ayurveda* and Disciplined and Intelligent Person’s (DIP) Diet was provided to the patient to complement the *Ayurvedic* treatments administered for T₂DM^[22].

Diet Plan

Dietary Guidelines from Jeena Sikho Lifecare Limited

In traditional texts, various food items suitable for individuals with diabetes are described (**Table 4**):

Category	Recommended Items
Cereals	Barley (<i>Yava</i>) – preparations like <i>Mantha</i> , <i>Odana</i> , <i>Appopa</i> , bread, <i>Roti</i>
	Wheat (<i>Godhooma</i>)
	Old rice (<i>Purana Shali</i>)
Pulses	Green gram (<i>Mudga</i>)
	Bengal gram (<i>Chanaka</i>)
	Horse gram (<i>Kulattha</i>)
	Pigeon pea (<i>Adhaki</i>)
Vegetables	Other light pulses
	<i>Tikta Shaka</i> (bitter vegetables)
	<i>Nimba</i> , <i>Sarshapa</i> (Mustard), <i>Methika</i> (Fenugreek), <i>Karvellak</i> (Bitter gourd), <i>Kulaka/Patola</i> (Pointed gourd), <i>Shobhanjana</i> (Drumstick), <i>Karkotaka</i> , <i>Udumbara</i> , <i>Rasona</i> (Garlic)
Fruits	Black berry (<i>Jambu</i>)
	Indian gooseberry (<i>Amalaki</i> / <i>Amla</i>)
	Wood Apple (<i>Kapitta</i>)
	Asian Palmyra Palm (<i>Tala Phala</i>)
	Date Sugar Palm (<i>Kharjura</i>)
	Indian Lotus (<i>Kamala</i>)
Seeds	<i>Nymphoea Stellata</i> (<i>Utpala</i>)
Oils	Seeds of <i>Kamala</i> (Lotus)
	Seeds of <i>Utpala</i> (<i>Nymphoea Stellata</i>)
General Rules	Mustard oil (<i>Sarshapa Taila</i>)
	<i>Ingudi Ghritha</i> (<i>Balanitis aegyptiaca</i> ghee) especially for <i>Pittaja Prameha</i>
Apathya (Unfavorable Diet)	Do not eat after 8 PM
	While eating solids chew small bites 32 times
	Fresh milk and new rice (<i>Dugdha Nava-Anna</i>)
	Curd (<i>Dadhi</i>), Jaggery (<i>Guda</i>), Buttermilk (<i>Takra</i>)
	Black gram (<i>Urad dal</i>), Sugarcane derivatives (<i>Ikshuvikara</i>)
	Domestic and aquatic meats (<i>Gramya Audaka</i>), Fatty foods (<i>Pista Anna</i> , <i>Anoopa Mamsa</i>)
	Alcoholic drinks sweet sour new (<i>Madhur Amla Naveen Sura</i>)
	Salty and <i>Kapha-Meda</i> aggravating foods (<i>Lavana Rasadi</i> , heavy and oily foods)

Hydration

- Almond milk, coconut water & coconut milk.
- Hydration: Maintain Adequate Hydration with Warm Water, Herbal Teas, And Soups.

Millet Inclusion

- Incorporate five varieties of millets into diet: Fox-tail, Barnyard, Little, Kodo and Browntop.
- Ensure that millets are cooked using only steel utensils to preserve their nutritional properties.

Meal Timing and Structure (Fig 3)



Fasting

- Fast once a week.

Special Instructions

- Sit in sunlight for 1 hour, morning and evening, with feet soaked in lukewarm water while chanting LUM, VUM, RUM, YUM, HUM, OM, and AUM in *gyan mudra* position.
- Offer thanks to the divine before eating or drinking.

Lifestyle Recommendations

- Wake up early in the morning during *Brahma Muhurta* (pre-dawn hours).
- Perform brisk walking (*Chakramana*) daily and include *Abhyanga* (oil massage) as part of your morning routine.
- Practice *Yoga*, including *Asanas* and *Pranayama*, along with light physical exercises.
- Take a 15-minute walk after lunch to support digestion.
- Engage in slow walking for 15 minutes after dinner to help regulate blood sugar levels.

- Ensure 6 to 7 hours of sleep at night; avoid oversleeping.
- Avoid high-calorie foods and packed or processed products.
- Refrain from consuming dairy products, animal products, chocolate, and milk-based items.
- Do not sleep during the daytime, as it may worsen *Kapha* imbalance.
- Avoid deep-fried foods, fast food, pickles, and fermented items.
- Completely avoid sweets, carbonated drinks, and alcoholic substances.
- Do not overeat, especially when digestion is weak or incomplete.

Recommended Yoga Asanas and Pranayama Techniques

- *Bhujangasana*
- *Mandukasana*
- *Kapalbhati*
- *Surya Namaskar*
- *Tadasana*
- *Paschimottanasana*
- *Bhramari*
- *Pavanamuktasana*

Medicinal Interventions

The *Ayurvedic* treatment employed in this case included Prameh Har Powder, Dr. Diab Tablet, DM+ Syrup, Dr. Shuddhi Powder, Dr. Immune tablet, 32 Herbs Tea, Dr. Nabhi oil, Dr. Tooth Oil, Madhumeh Nashak Syrup, Chander Vati Tablet, DM Capsule and Dr. Madhumeh. The medications prescribed for the patient during the treatment is outlined in **Table 5**. The details of the medicine prescribed are described in **Table 6**.

Table 5. The medications prescribed for the patient during the treatment

Date	Medicines	Dosage with <i>Anupana</i>
08-04-2025	Prameh Har Powder	Half a teaspoon BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i> - After meal with lukewarm water)
	Dr. Diab Tablet	1 TAB BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
	DM Syrup	10 ml BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>sama matra kosha jala</i> - After meal with equal lukewarm water)
	VPK Kit	20 days
30-04-2025	Prameh Har Powder	Half a teaspoon BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
	DM Syrup	10 ml BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>sama matra kosha jala</i>)
	Madhumeh Nashak Syrup	10 ml BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>sama matra kosha jala</i>)
06-06-2025	Prameh Har Powder	Half a teaspoon BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
	Chander Vati	1 TAB BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
	DM Capsules	1 CAP BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
	Dr. Madhumeh	1 TAB BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)
08-07-2025	DM Syrup	10 ml BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>sama matra kosha jala</i>)
	DM Capsules	1 CAP BD (<i>Adhobhakta</i> with <i>koshna jala</i>)

Table 6. The details of the medicine prescribed during the treatment

Medicine	Ingredients	Therapeutic Effects
Prameh Har Powder	Kutaki (<i>Picrorhiza kurroa</i>), Chiraita (<i>Swertia chirata</i>), Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Karela (<i>Momordica charantia</i>), Rasonth (<i>Berberis aristata</i>), Imli Beej (<i>Tamarindus indica</i>), Kala Namak , Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Sonth (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>), Babool Chhaal (<i>Vachellia nilotica</i>), Sarpgandha (<i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i>), Trivang Bhasm , Yashad Bhasm , Revend Chinni (<i>Rheum emodi</i>), Sodhit Guggulu (<i>Commiphora mukul</i>), Methi (<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Babool Fruit (<i>Vachellia nilotica</i>), Karanj (<i>Milletia pinnata</i>), Shilajeet , Haldi (<i>Curcuma longa</i>), Harad (<i>Terminalia chebula</i>), Inderjaun (<i>Holarrhena antidysenterica</i>), Vanshlochan (<i>Bambusa arundinacea</i>), Bahera (<i>Terminalia bellirica</i>), Amla (<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i>), White Musti (<i>Chlorophytum borivilianum</i>), Gurmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>).	Pramehaghna (anti-diabetic), Raktashodhak (blood purifier), Deepan (digestive stimulant), Pachan (digestive), Rasayana (rejuvenative), Medohara (fat-reducing), Shoth har (anti-inflammatory), Mutral (diuretic)
Dr. Diab Tablet	Nimoli (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Gudmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>), Devdar (<i>Cedrus deodara</i>), Methi (<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Paneer Dodi (<i>Withania coagulans</i>), Vijaysar (<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>), Kutaki (<i>Picrorhiza kurroa</i>), Kali Jeeri (<i>Centratherum anthelminticum</i>)	Madhumeh Har (Antidiabetic), Kapha-Vata Shamaka (Dosha balancer), Rasayan (Rejuvenator), Agnideepan (Metabolism enhancer), Ama Pachan (Detoxifier), Medhohar (Fat reducer), Shothahara (Anti-inflammatory), Mutrala (Diuretic), Srotoshodhaka (Channel cleanser), Prameh Nashaka (Urinary disorder corrector)
DM+ Syrup	Kumari (<i>Aloe vera</i>), Papita (<i>Carica papaya</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Saptangi (<i>Salacia oblonga</i>), Karela (<i>Momordica charantia</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Gurmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>), Kalmegh (<i>Andrographis paniculata</i>), Arjun (<i>Terminalia arjuna</i>), Pipal (<i>Ficus religiosa</i>), Dalchini (<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>), Tulsi (<i>Ocimum sanctum</i>), Vijaysaar (<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>), Ashwagandha (<i>Withania somnifera</i>).	Madhumeha Nashaka (Anti-diabetic), Kapha-Vata Shamaka (Balances Kapha and Vata doshas), Agnivardhaka (Enhances digestive fire), Rasayana (Rejuvenative), Shoth har (Anti-inflammatory), Balya (Strength-promotin), Medohara (Reduces excess fat), Prameha Nashak (Removes urinary disorders related to diabetes)
Dr. Shuddhi Powder	Trikatu (<i>Zingiber officinale</i> , <i>Piper nigrum</i> and <i>Piper longum</i>), Triphala (<i>Embelia officinalis</i> , <i>Terminalia chebula</i> and <i>Terminalia bellirica</i>), Nagarmotha (<i>Cyperus rotundus</i>), Vayavidang (<i>Embelia ribes</i>), Chhoti Elaichi (<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>), Tej Patta (<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i>), Laung (<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>), Nisoth (<i>Operculina turpethum</i>), Sendha Namak , Dhaniya (<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>), Pipla Mool (<i>Piper longum</i> root), Jeera (<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>), Nagkesar (<i>Mesua ferrea</i>), Amarvati (<i>Achyranthes aspera</i>), Anardana (<i>Punica granatum</i>), Badi Elaichi (<i>Amomum subulatum</i>), Hing (<i>Ferula assafoetida</i>), Kachnar (<i>Bauhinia variegata</i>), Ajmod (<i>Trachyspermum ammi</i>), Sajjikshar , Pushkarmool (<i>Inula racemosa</i>), Mishri (<i>Saccharum officinarum</i>)	Raktadushti (blood impurity), Meda Vridhhi (adipose tissue), Agnimandya (weak digestion), Mridu Virechan (mild purgation), Shodhana (cleansing), Deepan (digestive stimulant), and Ama Pachan (digestion of toxins).
Dr. Immune tablet	Kesar (<i>Crocus sativus</i>), Shudh Kuchla (<i>Strychnos nux-vomica</i>), Ashwagandha Ext. (<i>Withania somnifera</i>), Shatawari Ext. (<i>Asparagus racemosus</i>), Pipali (<i>Piper longum</i>), Tulsi (<i>Ocimum sanctum</i>), Laung (<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>), Choti Elaichi (<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>), Sonth (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>), Haldi (<i>Curcuma longa</i>), Loh Bhasma (<i>Ferrum</i>), Swaran Makshik Bhasma (<i>Chalcocopyrite</i>), Mukta Shukti Bhasma (<i>Pinctada margaritifera</i>)	Ojas Vardhaka (Vitality enhancer), Rasayana (Rejuvenator), Vyadhi Kshamatva (Immunity booster), Shoth har (Anti-inflammatory), Raktashodhak (Blood purifier), Deepan (Appetizer), Balya (Strength promoter)
32 Herbs Tea	Gauzaban (<i>Echium amoenum</i>), Kulanjan (<i>Alpinia galanga</i>), Choti Elaichi (<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>), Laung (<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>), Badi Elaichi (<i>Amomum subulatum</i>), Badiyan Khtay (<i>Illicium verum</i>), Banafsha (<i>Viola odorata</i>), Jufa (<i>Clerodendrum serratum</i>), Ashwagandha (<i>Withania somnifera</i>), Mulethi (<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i>), Punarnava (<i>Boerhavia diffusa</i>), Brahmi (<i>Bacopa monnieri</i>), Chitrak (<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i>), Kali Mirch (<i>Piper nigrum</i>), Adoosa (<i>Adhatoda vasica</i>), Saunf (<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>), Shankh Pushp (<i>Evolvulus alsinoides</i>), Tulsi (<i>Ocimum sanctum</i>), Arjuna (<i>Terminalia arjuna</i>), Motha (<i>Cyperus rotundus</i>), Senaye (<i>Cuscuta reflexa</i>), Sonth (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>), Majeeth (<i>Rubia cordifolia</i>), Sarfoka (<i>Sphaeranthus indicus</i>), Dalchini (<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>), Gulab (<i>Rosa spp.</i>), Green Tea (<i>Camellia sinensis</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Tej Patta (<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i>), Lal Chandan (<i>Pterocarpus santalinus</i>), White Chandan (<i>Santalum album</i>), Pudina (<i>Mentha spicata</i>)	Deepan (Digestive stimulant), Pachan (Digestion or digestive process).
Dr. Nabhi oil	Amla (<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i>), Haritaki (<i>Terminalia chebula</i>), Bahera (<i>Terminalia bellerica</i>), Almond (<i>Prunus dulcis</i>), Jaiphal (<i>Myristica fragrans</i>), Ajwain (<i>Trachyspermum ammi</i>), Alsi (<i>Linum usitatissimum</i>), Long (<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>), Camphor (<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>), Olive (<i>Olea europaea</i>), Coconut (<i>Cocos nucifera</i>), Lemongrass (<i>Cymbopogon citratus</i>), Kali Jeeri (<i>Nigella sativa</i>), Ajmod (<i>Apium graveolens</i>), Guggul (<i>Commiphora wightii</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Chirayata (<i>Swertia chirata</i>), Kalonji (<i>Nigella sativa</i>), Katu Taila (<i>Sesamum indicum</i>), Taramira (<i>Eruca sativa</i>), Til Tailam (<i>Sesamum indicum</i>).	Agnideepan (Digestive fire enhancer), Vata-nashaka (<i>Vata</i> pacifier), Rasayana (Rejuvenator), Ojovardhaka (Immunity enhancer), Chakra sthirikara (stability in bodily functions)
Dr. Tooth Oil	Clove oil , Sat ajwain , peppermint and glycerine	Danta-māmsa-bala-var dhaka (strengthens teeth and gums), Krimighna (antimicrobial), and Durgandha-hara

Madhumeh Nashak Syrup	Karela (<i>Momordica charantia</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Chirata (<i>Sweritia chirata</i>), Gurmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>), Kutaj (<i>Holarrhena antidysenterica</i>)	Vata pitta kapha shamaka (<i>Tridosha pacifier</i>), Madhumeha hara (Anti-diabetic), Agnideepan (Digestive fire stimulant), Rasayana (Rejuvenator), Medohara (Fat reducer), Kledahara (Moisture remover)
Chander Vati Tablet	Kapoor Kachri (<i>Hedychium spicatum</i>), Vacha (<i>Acorus calamus</i>), Motha (<i>Cyperus rotundus</i>), Kalmegh (<i>Andrographis paniculata</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Devdaru (<i>Cedrus deodara</i>), Desi Haldi (<i>Curcuma longa</i>), Atees (<i>Aconitum heterophyllum</i>), Daru Haldi (<i>Berberis aristata</i>), Pipla Mool (<i>Piper longum</i> root), Chitrak (<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i>), Dhaniya (<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>), Harad (<i>Terminalia chebula</i>), Bahera (<i>Terminalia bellirica</i>), Amla (<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i>), Chavya (<i>Piper chaba</i>), Vayavidang (<i>Embelia ribes</i>), Pippal (<i>Piper longum</i>), Kalimirch (<i>Piper nigrum</i>), Saunth (<i>Zingiber officinale</i> dried ginger), Gaj Pipal (<i>Scindapsus officinalis</i>), Swarn Makshik Bhasm (Gold iron pyrite ash - Ayurvedic preparation), Sajjikshar (Potassium carbonate - traditional alkali preparation), Sendha Namak (Rock salt), Kala Namak (Black salt), Choti Elaichi (<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i> - small cardamom), Dalchini (<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>), Tejpatra (<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i>), Danti (<i>Baliospermum montanum</i>), Nishothra (<i>Operculina turpethum</i>), Vanslochan (<i>Bamboo silica</i>), Loh Bhasm (Iron ash - Ayurvedic preparation), Shilajeet (<i>Asphaltum punjabinum</i>), Guggul (<i>Commiphora wightii</i>).	Raktashodhana (Blood purifier), Pitta Shaman (Pitta pacifier), Deepan (Appetizer), Pachan (Digestant), Vata-Pitta Shaman (<i>Dosha pacifier</i>)
DM Capsule	Amba Haldi (<i>Curcuma amada</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Safed Musli (<i>Chlorophytum borivilianum</i>), Methi (<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>), Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Karela (<i>Momordica charantia</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Bilva Patra (<i>Aegle marmelos</i>), Gudmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>), Shuddh Shilajeet .	Pramehaghna (Anti-diabetic), Raktashodhak (Blood purifier), Deepan (Appetizer), Pachan (Digestant), Rasayana (Rejuvenator), Medohara (Fat reducer), Shoth har (Anti-inflammatory), Mutral (Diuretic)
Dr. Madhumeh	Gudmar (<i>Gymnema sylvestre</i>), Methi (<i>Trigonella foenum-graecum</i>), Giloy (<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>), Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>), Haritaki (<i>Terminalia chebula</i>), Karela (<i>Momordica charantia</i>), Chiraita (<i>Sweritia chirayita</i>), Jamun (<i>Syzygium cumini</i>), Vijaysar (<i>Pterocarpus marsupium</i>), Daruhaldi (<i>Berberis aristata</i>), Karanj (<i>Pongamia pinnata</i>)	Prameha nashak (Anti-diabetic), Deepan (Appetizer), Pachan (Digestant), Rasayana (Rejuvenator), Vatahara (<i>Vata pacifier</i>)

RESULT

The patient underwent a three-month *Ayurvedic* regimen, following which she showed significant improvement in symptoms, indicating the effectiveness of the interventions against T2DM. Post-treatment, she was well oriented and experienced relief from SOB and hyperglycemia, further supporting the efficacy of the *Ayurvedic* approach used in this case. The conditions before and after treatment are mentioned in Table 7.

Table 7. The Conditions before and after treatment

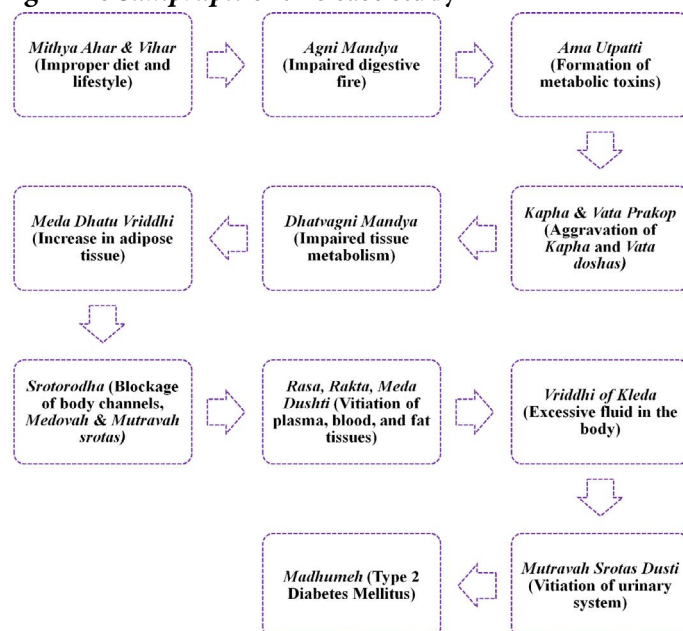
Parameter	Before Treatment	After Treatment
Orientation	Disoriented	Well oriented
Shortness of Breath (SOB)	Present	Relieved
Blood Sugar Levels	Elevated (Hyperglycemia)	Within controlled range
Overall Health	Compromised due to diabetic complications	Improved functional and metabolic state

DISCUSSION

Ayurvedic management offers a holistic and integrative approach that serves as a viable alternative to conventional biomedical treatments for T2DM. This case study presents the clinical outcomes of *Ayurvedic* intervention in a 34-year-old female patient diagnosed with T2DM. The

treatment involved individualized *Ayurvedic* formulations, dietary modifications, lifestyle corrections, and therapeutic procedures aligned with classical *Ayurvedic* principles. A comprehensive understanding of the disease etiology and progression was established based on the *Ayurvedic* concept of *Samprapti* (pathogenesis). The *Samprapti* of this case is illustrated in Fig 4^[23-29], outlining the sequence of events leading from *doshic* imbalance to clinical manifestation, and the rationale for selecting specific interventions. This integrative diagnostic framework guided the personalized treatment plan and contributed to the observed therapeutic success.

Fig 4 The Samprapti of this case study



The Samprapti and Nidan parivarjana

In *Ayurveda*, T2DM is understood as *Madhumeha*, a subtype of *Prameha*, which manifests due to the vitiation of *Kapha* and *Vata doshas*, along with dysfunction of *Agni* (digestive fire) and vitiation of *Dhatus* such as *Meda* (fat), *Mamsa* (muscle), *Rasa* (plasma), and *Rakta* (blood). The pathogenesis begins with the regular consumption of *Mithya Ahara* and *Vihara* which includes excessive intake of sweet, heavy, oily, and processed foods, as well as habits like daytime sleeping and physical inactivity. These causative factors lead to *Agni Mandya*, resulting in the formation of *Ama* (metabolic toxins). Simultaneously, the *Kapha dosha* becomes aggravated, and *Meda Dhatu* accumulates, causing *Srotorodha* (obstruction of body channels), particularly in the *Medovaha* and *Mutravaha Srotas* (fat and urinary channels). Over time, *Vata dosha* also gets involved due to the depletion of *Ojas* and imbalance in metabolic pathways, resulting in frequent urination (polyuria), increased thirst, fatigue, and elevated blood glucose levels—characteristics of *Madhumeha* [23-29].

The *Ayurvedic* management of T2DM gives great emphasis to *Nidan Parivarjana*, i.e., avoiding or eliminating the causative factors. This includes adopting a wholesome diet with low glycemic index foods, avoiding dairy and sugar-laden items, increasing physical activity, correcting sleeping habits, and managing stress [30]. By removing these *Nidanas* (causes), the progression of disease can be arrested, and therapeutic interventions such as *Ayurvedic* formulations, *Panchakarma*, and *Rasayana* therapy can work more effectively [31,32]. Thus, breaking the *Samprapti* chain through *Nidana Parivarjana* forms the foundational step in the *Ayurvedic* treatment of *Madhumeha*.

The effects of Ahar-Vihar

In the *Ayurvedic* management of T2DM, diet (*Ahara*) plays a crucial role in controlling the progression of the disease. Individuals are advised to include specific cereals such as barley (*Yava*) in various forms like *Mantha*, *Odana*, *Appopa*, bread, and *roti*, as well as old rice (*Purana Shali*), which are considered light and suitable. Among pulses, green gram (*Mudga*), Bengal gram (*Chanaka*), horse gram (*Kulattha*), and pigeon pea (*Adhaki*) are recommended, along with other light pulses that do not aggravate *Kapha* and *Meda* [33,34].

Bitter vegetables (*Tikta Shaka*) are particularly beneficial, including items like *Nimba*, *Sarshapa* (Mustard), *Methika* (Fenugreek), *Karvellak* (Bitter gourd), *Kulaka/Patola* (Pointed gourd), *Shobhanjana* (Drumstick), *Karkotaka*, *Udumbara*, and *Rasona* (Garlic). These help in digestion and reducing excess sugar and fat [35]. For fruits, black berry (*Jambu*), Indian gooseberry (*Amalaki* or *Amla*), wood apple (*Kapitta*), Asian palmyra palm (*Tala Phala*), date sugar palm (*Kharjura*), Indian lotus (*Kamala*), and *Nymphaea stellata* (*Utpala*) are allowed due to their astringent and bitter properties [36,37]. The seeds of *Kamala* and *Utpala* are also considered safe and beneficial [38].

In terms of fats and oils, mustard oil (*Sarshapa Taila*) is preferred, and *Ingudi* is specifically recommended for those with *Pittaja Prameha* [39]. Certain general dietary rules are also advised, one should not eat after 8 PM and should chew solid foods thoroughly, each bite ideally 32 times, to aid digestion and reduce *Ama* formation [40].

Conversely, several items are contraindicated (*Apathya*) for diabetic individuals. These include fresh milk and new rice (*Dugdha Nava-Anna*), curd (*Dadhi*), jaggery (*Guda*), and buttermilk (*Takra*), as they increase *Kapha* and *Ama*. Other harmful items include black gram (*Urad dal*), sugarcane derivatives (*Ikshuvikara*), meats from domestic and aquatic animals (*Gramya-Audaka*), and fatty foods like *Pista-Anna* and *Anoopa Mamsa*. Sweet, sour, and newly fermented alcoholic drinks (*Madhur-Amla Naveen Sura*) and salty, heavy, oily foods that aggravate *Kapha* and *Meda* (*Lavana Rasadi*) should also be strictly avoided. By adhering to these dietary principles, individuals with T2DM can achieve better glycemic control and overall metabolic health through *Ayurvedic* dietary management [41,42,43].

Effect of Ayurvedic Interventions

Ayurvedic interventions for T2DM utilize a holistic, multi-targeted approach that integrates the pharmacological properties of classical herbs based on their *Rasapanchaka* and therapeutic actions. Herbs like *Gudmar* with *Tikta-Kashaya Rasa*, *Laghu-Ruksha Guna*, *Ushna Virya*, and *Katu Vipaka*, act as *Pramehaghna* and help regenerate pancreatic β -cells, aiding glycemic control [44]. *Karela*, having *Tikta-Kashaya Rasa*, *Laghu-Ruksha Guna*, *Ushna Virya*, and *Katu Vipaka*, enhances *Agni* and improves insulin sensitivity [45]. *Neem* possesses *Tikta-Kashaya Rasa*, *Laghu-Ruksha Guna*, *Sheeta Virya*, and *Katu Vipaka*, making it a potent *Raktashodhak* and *Pramehahar* [46]. *Jamun* offers *Kashaya-Rasa*, *Laghu Ruksha Guna*, *Sheeta Virya*, and *Katu Vipaka*, supporting blood sugar reduction and urinary health [47]. *Giloy*, a central *Rasayana*, carries *Tikta-Kashaya Rasa*, *Laghu-Snigdha Guna*, *Ushna Virya*, and *Madhura Vipaka*, working as *Agnivardhaka*, *Immunomodulator*, and *anti-inflammatory* [48]. *Methi*, with *Tikta-Kashaya Rasa*, *Guru Snigdha Guna*, *Ushna Virya*, and *Katu Vipaka*, acts as *Medohara* and *Balya* [49]. *Amla* is a *tridosha* pacifier with *Amla Rasa*, *Ruksha Guna*, *Sheeta Virya*, and *Madhura Vipaka*, enhancing *Ojas* and *Rasa-Rakta Dhatu* quality [50].

Formulations like *Prameh Har Powder*, *Dr. Diab Tablet*, and *DM+ Syrup* combine these herbs with *Shilajeet*, *Triphala*, and *Ashwagandha*, further supporting detoxification (*Shodhana*), immune modulation, and metabolic correction. Many herbs like *Kutaki*, *Haritaki*, *Chitrak*, and *Trikatu* are incorporated for *Ama Pachana*, improving *Agnimandya* and reducing *Meda Dhatu dushti*.

These *Rasapanchaka*-based interventions enable sustained management of hyperglycemia, correction of *dosha* imbalance, especially *Kapha* and *Meda dusti*, detoxification, and prevention of secondary diabetic complications. Thus,

Ayurvedic therapy in T2DM works not only as an anti-diabetic (*Pramehaghna*) but also as a *Rasayana*, *Shothahara*, *Raktashodhak*, and *Mutrala*, offering both symptomatic relief and systemic rejuvenation

Implications for Future Research

This study, centered on T2DM, demonstrated encouraging outcomes. However, the limited sample size highlights the need for further research through randomized controlled trials with larger cohorts to validate the safety, efficacy, and reliability of Ayurvedic interventions, thereby aiding in the development of standardized therapeutic protocols.

CONCLUSION

This case study evaluating the treatment of T2DM through Ayurvedic interventions yields the following findings: significant improvement in glycemic control, reduction in associated symptoms such as fatigue and shortness of breath, and enhanced overall well-being. These outcomes suggest the potential effectiveness of individualized Ayurvedic protocols in managing T2DM

Vitals and Investigations: Over a period of three months, the patient undergoing Ayurvedic intervention for T2DM showed marked clinical improvement. Blood pressure remained within the normal range, initially recorded at 120/80 mmHg and stabilizing at 130/80 mmHg throughout the treatment period. The patient's body weight reduced from 58 kg to 56 kg and remained stable thereafter. Blood sugar levels declined significantly from 307 mg/dl on 08-04-2025 to 110 mg/dl by 08-07-2025, reflecting improved glycemic control. The HbA_{1c} value decreased from 9.3% to 7.5%. Correspondingly, average glucose levels dropped from 232 mg/dl to 169 mg/dl.

The Ayurvedic intervention demonstrated significant efficacy in managing T2DM, with improvements in glycemic control, weight regulation, and overall metabolic health. These outcomes support the potential of Ayurvedic formulations as a complementary approach in diabetes care.

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Age/Sex [REDACTED]

Referred By SELF

Client Code/Name AP080165 Arora CLinical Laboratory

Ref. Lab/Hosp

Panel Address H.No 54/6 Old Bank Bazar, Shahabad, Distt. Kurukshetra

Lab No 10582504080288

Reg Date 08/Apr/2025 09:35PM

Sample Coll Date 08/Apr/2025 08:42 PM

Sample Rec Date 09/Apr/2025 07:50 AM

Report Date 09/Apr/2025 09:20AM

HAEMATOLOGY

Test Name With Methodology	Result	Unit	Biological Ref.Interval
HbA1c (Glycated hemoglobin)			
Glycosylated Hb (HbA1c) <small>colorimetric</small>	9.7	%	4.2-6.5
Average Glucose <small>calculated</small>	232	mg/dl	73-140

Ref Range for HbA1c

Non Diabetic: < 5.7 %

Pre-Diabetic: 5.7 - 6.5 %

Diabetic: > 6.5 %

Remark: Hemoglobin A1c criteria for diagnosing diabetes have not been established for patients who are <18 years of age.

HbA1c goals in treatment of diabetes:

Ages 0-6 years: 7.6% - 8.4%

Ages 6-12 years: 8%

Ages 13-19 years: <7.5%

Adults: <7%

COMMENT:

The Glycosylated Hemoglobin (HbA1c or A1c) test evaluates the average amount of glucose in the blood over the last 2 to 3 months. This test is used to monitor treatment in someone who has been diagnosed with diabetes. It helps to evaluate how well the person's glucose levels have been controlled by treatment over time. This test may be used to screen for and diagnose diabetes or risk of developing diabetes. Depending on the type of diabetes that a person has, how well their diabetes is controlled, and on doctor recommendations, the HbA1c test may be measured 2 to 4 times each year. The American Diabetes Association recommends HbA1c testing in diabetics at least twice a year. When someone is first diagnosed with diabetes or if control is not good, HbA1c may be ordered more frequently.

Note: If a person has anemia, few type of hemoglobinopathy, hemolysis, or heavy bleeding, HbA1c test results may be falsely low. If someone is iron-deficient, the HbA1c level may be increased. If a person has had a recent blood transfusion, the HbA1c may be inaccurate and may not accurately reflect glucose control for 2 to 3 months.

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LAB REPORT

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Barcode No: [REDACTED] Lab No: 10582507070087

Patient Name: [REDACTED] Reg Date: 07/Jul/2025 02:28PM

Age/Sex: [REDACTED] Sample Coll. Date: 07/Jul/2025 01:35 PM

Referred By: SELF Sample Rec. Date: 07/Jul/2025 05:41 PM

Client Code/Name: AP080165 Arora Clinical Laboratory Report Date: 07/Jul/2025 06:13PM

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HAEMATOLOGY

Test Name With Methodology	Result	Unit	Biological Ref.Interval
HbA1c (Glycated hemoglobin)			
Glycosylated Hb (HbA1c)	7.5	%	4.2-6.5
Average Glucose	169	mg/dl	73-140

Ref Range for HbA1c

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Diabetic: > 6.5 %

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