

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY,
UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(AYUSH)**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1609
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH March, 2021**

IDENTIFICATION OF MEDICINAL PLANTS IN TAMIL NADU

1609 SHRI P. WILSON:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of medicinal plants identified in various parts of Tamil Nadu, during last five years
- (b) whether National Medicinal Plant Board has undertaken any exercise for allotment of land in various States including Tamil Nadu, if so, details thereof
- (c) whether Government encourages/proposes to encourage the Tamil Nadu farmers for growth of medicinal plants under any scheme, if so, the details thereof
- (d) the details of the financial assistance provided to promote farming of medicinal plants and herbs during the said period and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to increase production of medicinal plants and herbs in country including Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI KIREN RIJIU)**

(a): Botanical Survey of India (BSI), an organization under Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC) is mandated for survey of plant diversity of the country, its documentation including traditional knowledge associated with it at National, Regional, State and Ecosystem level in different parts of the country. As per BSI information, about 8,000 species of medicinal plants are found in the country of which calculated 2,000 species found in Western Ghat and 1,500 species in Eastern Ghat which covers the state of Tamil Nadu.

(b) to (e): Yes, presently the Ministry of AYUSH is encouraging the farmers throughout the country including the State of Tamil Nadu for growth of medicinal plants under its Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM).

Under the above scheme, Ministry of AYUSH is supporting cultivation of medicinal plants on farmer's land throughout the country by providing subsidy for 140 prioritized medicinal plants @ 30%, 50% and 75% of cost of its cultivation, depending upon the status of availability and market demand. As per the scheme guidelines, the support is also provided for establishment of nurseries with backward linkages for raising and supply of quality planting material, Post-harvest management with forward linkages, Primary processing, marketing infrastructure etc.

The State/UT-wise details of area supported and financial assistance provided to promote cultivation / farming of medicinal plants during the last five years are at **Annexure-I&II**.

The State / UT-wise area supported for cultivation / farming of medicinal plants under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National AYUSH Mission (NAM) during last five years

S. No.	State / UT	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	(Area in hectare) Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	447	1513	897	508	1338	4703
2	Arunachal Pradesh	-	142	71	9	44	266
3	Assam	-	261	225	138	-	624
4	Bihar	-	-	-	-	175	175
5	Chhattisgarh	-	220	72	108	-	400
6	Goa	-	23	30	30	30	113
7	Gujarat	141	192	85	518	-	936
8	Haryana	175	245	-	-	-	420
9	Himachal Pradesh	39	120	7	-	70	236
10	Jammu & Kashmir	9	34	21	24	28	116
11	Karnataka	317	706	769	469	353	2614
12	Kerala	258	535	699	397	-	1889
13	Madhya Pradesh	1681	2518	2030	1262	790	8281
14	Maharashtra	327	-	444	-	520	1290
15	Manipur	142	242	142	60	30	616
16	Meghalaya	-	48	22	-	108	178
17	Mizoram	59	27	65	187	6	344
18	Nagaland	51	138	250	103	-	542
19	Orissa	-	489	-	378	-	867
20	Puducherry	-	43	-	2	5	50
21	Punjab	-	242	-	16	340	598
22	Rajasthan	330	1163	1341	519	760	4113
23	Sikkim	63	32	84	-	-	179
24	Tamil Nadu	633	960	673	765	900	3931
25	Telangana	345	294	457	237	341	1674
26	Tripura	45	-	-	211	-	256
27	Uttarakhand	153	148	183	110	208	802
28	Uttar Pradesh	3188	1898	1345	3633	-	10064
29	West Bengal	107	230	417	261	748	1764
Grand Total		8510	12462	10329	9945	6794	48040

Annexure – II

**The State / UT-wise details of financial assistance provided to promote cultivation
/ farming of medicinal plants under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National
AYUSH Mission (NAM) during the last five years**

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No	State / UT	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	133.780	451.16	211.872	128.586	314.9084	1240.306
2	Arunachal Pradesh	-	42.779	61.110	36.860	46.0050	186.754
3	Assam	-	120.239	393.250	189.122	-	702.611
4	Bihar	-	-	-	-	287.2012	287.201
5	Chhattisgarh	-	152.63	178.210	107.860	-	438.700
6	Gujarat	168.415	212.189	158.700	308.710	-	848.014
7	Goa	-	14.47	26.590	22.937	38.7421	102.739
8	Haryana	51.6788	69.188	-	-	-	120.867
9	Himachal Pradesh	61.981	170.069	75.543	63.750	128.9440	500.287
10	Jammu & Kashmir	54.893	55.17	80.246	49.540	106.0377	345.887
11	Karnataka	137.204	203.331	219.341	148.100	157.4030	865.379
12	Kerala	126.5225	168.681	245.094	162.515	-	702.812
13	Madhya Pradesh	306.905	496.382	450.275	334.459	516.8730	2104.894
14	Maharashtra	205.877	-	355.008	-	409.1058	969.991
15	Manipur	60.80	70.875	85.498	79.080	40.8287	337.082
16	Meghalaya	-	45.018	91.480	-	45.0264	181.524
17	Mizoram	14.384	44.317	97.510	62.140	25.2043	243.555
18	Nagaland	60.414	41.379	100.891	63.199	-	265.883
19	Orissa	-	117.548	-	161.314	-	278.862
20	Punjab	-	129.66	-	61.219	148.1536	339.033
21	Puducherry	-	4.96	-	13.84	6.7827	25.583
22	Rajasthan	113.532	226.055	747.846	272.379	521.5977	1881.410
23	Sikkim	30.731	31.706	24.980	-	-	87.417
24	Tamil Nadu	144.224	252.712	228.275	173.088	305.9946	1104.294
25	Tripura	36.064	-	-	47.88	-	83.944
26	Telangana	111.316	252.085	118.294	71.870	177.8982	731.463
27	Uttar Pradesh	720.012	528.173	249.180	912.043	-	2409.408
28	Uttarakhand	60.466	195.367	130.147	75.670	182.0950	643.745
29	West Bengal	180.631	184.941	201.979	194.701	372.7332	1134.985
	Total	2779.830	4281.084	4531.319	3740.862	3831.535	19164.630