

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 490
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7TH FEBRUARY, 2023**

**DOCUMENTATION OF LOCAL HEALTH TRADITIONS (LHTS) AND
FOLKLORE CLAIMS**

490 SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of **AYUSH** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Local Health Traditions (LHTs) and Folklore Claims that have been documented till date, State-wise; and
- (b) the details of the documented Local Health Traditions (LHTs) and Folklore Claims?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF AYUSH
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)**

- (a) The State-wise details of Local Health Traditions (LHTs) and Folk Claims documented till date are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of LHTs and Folk claims documented
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	113
2.	Andhra Pradesh	67
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	65
4.	Assam	66
5.	Bihar	24
6.	Chhattisgarh	03
7.	Himachal Pradesh	06
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	20
9.	Jharkhand	50
10.	Karnataka	61
11.	Madhya Pradesh	81
12.	Maharashtra	93
13.	Nagaland	02
14.	Orissa	45
15.	Rajasthan	44
16.	Sikkim	41
17.	Tamil Nadu	188
18.	Telangana	27
19.	West Bengal	45
TOTAL		1041

(b) The documented 851 claims with 348 plants of Local Health Traditions (LHTs) and Folklore Claims are published in the book “Local Health Traditions (LHTs), Oral Health Traditions (OHTs) and Ethno-Medicinal Practices (EMPs)”. The documented 40 claims of Local Health Traditions (LHTs) in Arunachal Pradesh are published in the book “Folk Remedies of Arunachal Pradesh (East Siang District).The ethnobotanical uses of more than 150 plants are published in “Plants in ethnomedicine of the Nilgiri tribes in Tamil Nadu”.
