GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †4927 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31/03/2023

LOCATION FOR CULTIVATION OF PLANTS

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified any locations/land in every State of the country for cultivation of traditional and herbal medicinal plants which are used in manufacturing herbal medicines and drugs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any location/land has been identified for the above purpose in Uttar Pradesh especially in Western Uttar Pradesh region;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF AYUSH (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

- (a) & (b) No, Sir. At present there is no scheme for cultivation of medicinal plants in National Medicinal Plants Board, Ministry of Ayush. However, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India had implemented "Centrally Sponsored Scheme" of National Ayush Mission (NAM) to promote the cultivation of medicinal plants since 2015-16 to 2020-21. Under 'Medicinal Plants' component of the National Ayush Mission (NAM) Scheme, market driven cultivation of 140 prioritized medicinal plants in identified clusters/zones was supported and implemented in a mission mode through selected State Implementing Agencies throughout the country. Under 'Medicinal Plants' component of National Ayush Mission (NAM), the Ministry of Ayush had supported 56,305 hectare area under cultivation of medicinal plants throughout the country from the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21. The detail of State/ UT-wise area supported under the cultivation of Medicinal Plants of National Ayush Mission (NAM) scheme from the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 is given at **Annexure I**.
- (c) & (d) No, Sir. Presently, National Medicinal Plants Board, Ministry of Ayush has not identified any location/land in Uttar Pradesh as there is no scheme for cultivation of medicinal plants in

National Medicinal Plants Board, Ministry of Ayush. However, in the past, the Ministry of Ayush had supported cultivation of medicinal plants under medicinal plants component of National Ayush Mission Scheme in Uttar Pradesh state. As per the State Implementing Agency of medicinal plants component in Uttar Pradesh, the districts namely Bijnore, Moradabad, Bareilly, Badaun, Saharanpur, Muzaffarpur, Meerut, Hapur, Bulandshahar, Etawa, Hathras and Mathura district of western region have been identified according to the suitability of the agro-climatic condition for cultivation of medicinal plants.

(e) Not applicable.

Annexure – I

Detail of State/ UT-wise area supported under the cultivation of Medicinal Plants of National Ayush Mission (NAM) scheme from the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21.

(Area in hectare)

S.No.	State	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	447	1160	897	508	1338	0	4350
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	142	71	9	44	98	364
3	Assam	0	261	225	138	0	0	624
4	Bihar	0	0	0	0	175	0	175
5	Chhattisgarh	0	220	72	108	0	0	400
6	Goa	0	23	30	30	30	0	113
7	Gujarat	141	192	85	518	0	0	936
8	Haryana	175	245	0	0	0	0	420
9	Himachal Pradesh	39	120	7	0	70	0	236
10	Jammu & Kashmir	9	34	21	24	28	25	141
11	Karnataka	529	706	769	469	353	1100	3926
12	Kerala	258	535	736	410	0	330	2269
13	Madhya Pradesh	1681	2518	2030	1262	790	4270	12551
14	Maharashtra	327	0	444	0	520	0	1291
15	Manipur	142	242	142	60	30	0	616
16	Meghalaya	0	48	22	0	108	0	178
17	Mizoram	59	27	65	187	6	29	373
18	Nagaland	51	138	250	103	0	210	752
19	Orissa	0	488	0	378	0	0	866
20	Puducherry	0	43	0	2	5	0	50
21	Punjab	0	242	0	16	340	0	598
22	Rajasthan	330	1163	1341	519	760	0	4113
23	Sikkim	63	32	84	0	0	58	237
24	Tamil Nadu	633	960	673	765	900	0	3931
25	Telangana	345	294	457	237	341	0	1674
26	Tripura	45	0	0	211	0	0	256
27	Uttarakhand	153	148	183	110	208	0	802
28	Uttar Pradesh	3188	1898	1345	3633	0	2236	12300
29	West Bengal	107	230	417	261	748	0	1763
TOTAL		8722	12109	10366	9958	6794	8356	56305