

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4016  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> March, 2021**

**REPOSITORY FOR MEDICINAL PLANTS**

**4016. SHRI Y. DEVENDRAPPA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has been preparing to create a repository to conserve medicinal plants;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the financial assistance provided for conservation of medicinal plants and infrastructure development in the country during the last three years?

**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 RIJIJU)**

(a) & (b): Yes, The National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India has established one National Raw Drug Repository (NRDR) at Central Ayurveda Research Institutes (CARI, CCRAS), Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh and three Regional Raw Drug Repositories (RRDRs) as follows:

- I. All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi for Trans-Ganga Plain Region (State Covered- Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Punjab),
- II. National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA), Jaipur for Western Dry Region (State Covered- Gujarat and Rajasthan) and
- III. National Institute of Siddha, Chennai for Southern Plateau Region (State Covered- Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Andaman, Puddcherry, Tamil Nadu, Telangana).

The above RDRs would play a significant role in collection, documentation, and authentication of raw drugs of Medicinal Plants collected largely from the respective agro-climatic region.

The key objectives of establishing these repositories are :-

- a. Act as accredited reference repository for authenticated raw drugs (plants, animals and mineral/metal origin) of AYUSH system.
- b. Act as model centre for availability of certified 'Reference Standards' of drugs for quality assessment.
- c. Act as centre for quality certification of raw drugs.
- d. Act as centre for market surveillance and monitoring with respect to availability of raw material in trade.
- e. Act as centre for collection, compilation and documentation including digitization of information on raw drugs used in AYUSH system.
- f. Act as model centre to spread information on training and create general awareness related to quality raw drugs.

(c): Yes, National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH under its central sector scheme supported training programmes, workshops, seminars for cultivation / production, processing and research activities of medicinal plants in project mode in different states for Conservation of Medicinal Plants and infrastructure Development in the country. During last three years, a total of Rs. 1109.996 Lakh released to support NRDR and RRDRs projects. Details are at Annexure-I.

Financial assistance provided to different States under Central Sector Scheme for Conservation of Medicinal Plants and infrastructure development in the country during the last 3 Years is at Annexure-II.

**Annexure-I**

S.No.	Region/Title	Organization	Amount released (2019-20)	Amount released (2020-21)
1	National Raw Drug Repository	Central Ayurveda Research Institutes (CARI, CCRAS), Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh	Rs. 459.9960 lakh	
2	Establishment of Regional Raw Drug Repository for Southern Plateau Region	National Institute of Siddha, Chennai		250
3	Establishment of Regional Raw Drug Repository for Trans-Ganga Plain Region	All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), New Delhi		250
4	Establishment of Regional Raw Drug Repository for Western Dry Region	National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA), Jaipur		150
Total (Rs. In Lakh)			459.9960	650
Grand Total (Rs. In Lakh)			1109.996	

## Annexure-II

**Financial assistance provided to different States under Central Sector Scheme for Conservation of Medicinal Plants and infrastructure development in the country during the last 3 Years.**

S. No.	Name of State	Amount of Assistance Provided / Released (Rs. In lakh)	Amount of Assistance Provided / Released (Rs. In lakh)	Amount of Assistance Provided / Released (Rs. In lakh)
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
1	Arunachal Pradesh	51.42	-	-
2	Andhra Pradesh	-	-	342.48
3	Assam	-	-	96.08
4	Chhattisgarh	126.00	-	-
5	Gujarat	233.18	870.41	92.1
6	Haryana	119.95	-	-
7	Himachal Pradesh	-	94.09	-
8	Jammu & Kashmir	-	60.63	-
9	Jharkhand	-	-	-
10	Karnataka	33.53	-	-
11	Kerala	82.00	12.5	-
12	Madhya Pradesh	249.69	15.47	-
13	Maharashtra	290.02	43.55	235.7
14	Manipur	562.08	-	348.07
15	Mizoram	108.06	207.49	-
16	Nagaland	72.00	-	-
17	Odisha	-	-	-
18	Punjab	-	441.7	37.76
19	Rajasthan	299.35	263.38	83.16
20	Sikkim	318.56	424.93	262.99
21	Tamil Nadu	66.77	-	-
22	Telangana	-	-	245.9
23	Tripura	-	-	120.00
24	Uttarakhand	62.76	74.76	129.19
25	West Bengal	-	202.92	80.67
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2675.37</b>	<b>2711.83</b>	<b>2074.10</b>