

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3194
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06TH AUGUST, 2021**

MEDICINAL PLANTS

3194. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government is promoting Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy in the country; and

(b) whether the Government has any estimate of the number of farmers involved in cultivation of medicinal plants and have received the benefits under the AYUSH scheme and if so, the details thereof during the last three years?

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

(a): Yes.

(b): Yes, Sir, the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India had implemented Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National Ayush Mission (NAM) since 2015-16 to 2020-21 through State Implementing Agency. Under the Medicinal Plants Component of the National Ayush Mission scheme, the Ministry of Ayush had supported subsidy@30%, 50% and 75% of the cost of cultivation per hectare for 140 prioritized medicinal plants species on farmer's land.

The Ministry of Ayush had supported 22,003 number of farmers involved in cultivation of medicinal plants during the financial year 2018-19 to 2020-21 and the detail is given in **Annexure – I**. The detail of subsidy given by the Ministry of Ayush to the farmers through the State Implementing Agencies for cultivation of medicinal plants under the National Ayush Mission Scheme is given in **Annexure – II**.

Annexure – I

Number of farmers supported by the Ministry of Ayush for cultivation of Medicinal Plants under National Ayush Mission Scheme

Sl.No.	Financial Year	No. of farmers
1.	2018-19	10327
2.	2019-20	10441
3.	2020-21	1235

Annexure – II

The detail of subsidy given by the Ministry of Ayush to the farmers through the State Implementing Agencies for cultivation of medicinal plants under National Ayush Mission Scheme

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical (Area in hectare)	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2018-19	9958	2123.83
2.	2019-20	6794	2155.89
3.	2020-21	8356	2025.56