

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †1674
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11/02/2022**

FARMING OF HERBS

†1674. SHRI SANJAY JADHAV:

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

- a) whether the Government has formulated any draft Scheme for encouraging of farming of herbs in view of the demand at domestic and international level;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Government is contemplating to provide assistance for farming of herbs and if so, the details thereof;
- d) whether any areas have been identified for farming of herbs; and
- e) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Ministry of Ayush, Government of India has formulated a draft scheme namely “Pradhan Mantri VRIKSH AYUSH Yojana” for encouraging of farming of herbs in view of the demand at domestic and international level. The scheme aims to promote Cultivation of Medicinal Plant, Post-harvest management and Marketing support by involving farmers and the AYUSH industry. The proposed scheme has been submitted for the approval of the Cabinet.

(c) Yes, Under the proposed scheme namely “Pradhan Mantri VRIKSH AYUSH Yojana”, there is a provision for financial assistance for cultivation of medicinal plants and establishment of Post-harvest Management Infrastructure.

(d) & (e) No, The proposed scheme has been submitted for the approval of the Cabinet.
