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

# LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.290 TO BE ANSWERED ON $5^{\mathrm{TH}}$ AUGUST, 2022

#### SURVEY OF MEDICINAL PLANTS

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Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences has conducted any survey in Chhattisgarh to identify medicinal plants and rare species of herbs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government provides any financial assistance for the cultivation of medicinal plants (herbs); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY(AYUSH)

### (SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

## STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.290\* FOR 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2022

- (a) Yes, Sir. Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) has conducted ethno-medico botanical survey in Chhattisgarh to identify and document the availability of Medicinal Plants.
- (b) CCRAS has conducted Ethno-Medico Botanical Survey in the following divisions of Chhattisgarh.
  - 1. Bastar (1978-1979)
  - 2. Bilaspur (1991-92, 2009-2010),
  - 3. Sarguja (1987-88),
  - 4. Dharamjaygarh (2014-2015),
  - 5. Durg/Balod (2014-2015),
  - 6. Raigarh (2014-2015),
  - 7. Raipur/Baloda Bazar (2014-2015)
- (c) and (d) Ministry of Ayush has implemented the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) from the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 to promote the cultivation of Medicinal Plants throughout the country. Under the Medicinal Plants component of the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) scheme, the support was provided for:
  - (i) Cultivation of prioritized medicinal plants on farmer's land.
  - (ii)Establishment of nurseries with backward linkages for raising and supply of quality planting material.
  - (iii) Post-harvest management with forward linkages.
  - (iv) Primary processing, marketing, infrastructure etc.

Ministry of Ayush has provided financial assistance of Rs. 13657.68 lakh for cultivation of medicinal plants under National Ayush Mission Scheme throughout the country from the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21.