GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYUSH

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3517 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2025

"Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants Scheme"

3517. Shri Kesineni Siyanath:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount of funds sanctioned and released under the Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants Scheme till date, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the total number of projects funded by the said scheme till date, State/UT-wise especially in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details regarding the projects completed, ongoing projects and the timeline required for their completion along with the funds released till date;
- (d) the details of the total number of farmers trained under the projects supported for information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities of the said scheme, classified, State/UT-wise;
- (e) whether the Government has any data regarding the funds sanctioned and released under the component of Quality Testing and Certification of raw material of the said scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and funds released till date in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH (SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)

(a) National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush, Government of India is implementing Central Sector Scheme on "Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants" throughout the country including Andhra Pradesh wherein following activities are supported:

- (i) Information, Education & Communication (IEC) activities like Training / Workshops / Seminars/ Conferences etc. to promote the medicinal plants.
- (ii) Establishment of nurseries.
- (iii) *In-situ* conservation / *Ex-situ* conservation.
- (iv) Livelihood linkages with Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) / Panchayats /Van Panchayats / Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) / Self Help Groups (SHGs).
- (v) Research & Development.
- (vi) Promotion, marketing and trade of medicinal plants produce.
- (vii) Forward and backward linkage in supply chain of medicinal plants (Integrated Component) under which the following activities are supported:
 - Infrastructure for Quality Planting Material to raise the planting material of medicinal plants for cultivation.
 - Information Education Communication (IEC) activities to aware the farmers.
 - Infrastructure for Post-Harvest Management and Marketing to increase the marketability of the medicinal plants, adding value to the produce, increasing profitability and reducing losses.
 - Quality Testing and Certification of raw material.

This Scheme has been approved for continuation for a period of five years from 2021-22 to 2025-26. Grant-in-Aid sanctioned / released during 2021-22 to 2024-25 under Central Sector Scheme for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants is placed at **Annexure-I**.

(b) & (c) The National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush is presently implementing its "Central Sector Scheme on Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants" throughout the country including the state of Andhra Pradesh. The details regarding the number of projects funded, the projects completed, ongoing projects, funds released till date and the timeline required for their completion is placed at **Annexure-II**.

Under this scheme, few Regional Centers are also supported under Project mode. The details of ongoing/foreclosed RCFCs and fund released to these RCFCs from 2017-18 to till date are placed at **Annexure-III**.

- (d) National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) Ministry of Ayush has supported 24 projects under the training activities to train the farmers. Approximately, 15,430 farmers were supported for training under these proposals from the financial year 2021-22 to 2024-25. The details are placed at **Annexure-IV**.
- (e) & (f) Yes, Sir. National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush has supported 04 projects under 'forward and backward linkage in supply chain of medicinal plants' Integrated Component of Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for conservation, development and sustainable management of medicinal plants from the financial year 2023-24 to till date to the Andhra Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Mizoram and Uttarakhand for an amount of Rs. 442.50 lakh. Out of which an amount of Rs. 23.00 lakh was approved for the Quality Testing and Certification of raw material to the states. The details are given at **Annexure V.**

Annexure-I

					(Rs. In Cr)
a		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
S. No.	State	Released	Released	Released	Released
		Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
1	Andhra Pradesh	0.27	0.04	0.57	1.40
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.29	0.58	0.00	0.20
3	Assam	2.80	4.37	0.59	0.83
4	Bihar	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Chattisgarh	0.95	0.62	0.69	0.00
6	Delhi	0.52	3.77	1.32	3.26
7	Goa	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.20
8	Gujarat	6.36	3.50	0.37	6.45
9	Haryana	0.35	0.00	0.82	0.65
10	Himachal Pradesh	1.29	1.47	1.48	3.03
11	Jammu & Kashmir	nu & Kashmir 1.83 1.12 1		1.48	2.99
12	Jharkhand	0.02	0.00	0.12	0.00
13	Karnataka	5.28	3.87	0.40	2.19
14	Kerala	1.94	3.92	2.71	2.90
15	Madhya Pradesh	1.28	2.22	0.56	0.89
16	Maharashtra	1.00	1.52	1.66	1.85
17	Manipur	0.28	0.76	0.12	0.10
18	Meghalaya	0.00	0.13	0.02	0.16
19	Mizoram	2.12	2.49	0.71	1.40
20	Nagaland	0.25	0.00	0.03	0.41
21	Odisha	0.61	0.79	0.36	0.51
22	Punjab	0.26	0.60	0.34	0.75
23	Rajasthan	0.24	0.00	0.34	0.33
24	Sikkim	0.66	5.27	0.02	0.38
25	Tamil Nadu	1.61	1.69	0.99	0.64
26	Telangana	0.37	3.59	0.40	0.21
27	Tripura	0.25	0.00	0.03	0.15
28	Uttarakhand	0.51	3.20	0.23	2.39
29	Uttar Pradesh	4.05	0.61	0.80	1.19
30	West Bengal	1.54	1.65	2.33	1.69

31	Andaman & Nicobar	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00
32	Chandigarh	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.15
33	D&N Haveli	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
34	Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
35	Lakshadeep	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00
36	Pondicherry	0.21	0.00	0.23	0.56
37	Ladakh	0.00	0.10	0.27	0.28
	Total	37.68	48.25	19.99	38.14

Detail of projects supported for various aspects under Central Sector Scheme on Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants state wise from F.Y. 2021-22 to till date

Annexure-II

S.No.	State/UT	No. of project funded	No. of Completed Project	No. of Ongoing Project	Released Amount (in Lakhs)	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	10	1	9	142.65	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3	1	2	56.45	
3.	Assam	19	5	14	526.952	
4.	Bihar	2	-	2	-	
5.	Chhattisgarh	1	-	1	198.4	
6.	Delhi	32	11	21	29.134	
7.	Goa	1	-	1	4.2	
8.	Gujarat	11	2	9	639.754	
9.	Haryana	12	1	11	79.2	
10.	Himachal Pradesh	14	-	14	226.195	
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	13	-	13	178.038	
12.	Jharkhand	5	-	5	33.1	
13.	Karnataka	21	2	19	923.925	
14.	Kerala	17	-	17	131.52	
15.	Madhya Pradesh	16	4	12	170.8	
16.	Maharashtra	15	2	11 *	207.45	
17.	Manipur	5	-	5	115.9	
18.	Meghalaya	2	-	2	2.00	
19.	Mizoram	7	-	7	203.45	

^{* 2} projects foreclosed/cancelled

20.	Nagaland	2	-	2	46.125
21.	Odisha	16	4	12	105.96
22.	Punjab	7	1	6	51.9
23.	Rajasthan	7	-	7	32.65
24.	Sikkim	2	-	2	467.92
25.	Tamil Nadu	44	6	38	232.08
26.	Telangana	8	2	6	378.39
27.	Tripura	-	-	-	43
28.	Uttarakhand	22	-	22	505.82
29.	Uttar Pradesh	24	2	22	144.1
30.	West Bengal	9	3	6	124.82
31.	Andaman & Nicobar	-	-	-	-
32.	Chandigarh	2	-	2	43
33.	D&N Haveli	-	-	-	-
34.	Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-
35.	Lakshadeep	-	-	-	-
36.	Pondicherry	3	-	3	8.925
37.	Ladakh	4	-	4	10.75
	Total	359	46	311	6226.7768

Further for timeline it is stated that as per the Central Sector Scheme guidelines provisions, projects are supported for a period of 3 to 5 years and subsequent release of 2nd and 3rd installment are released after evaluation of progress report of the project. Accordingly time lines of ongoing projects may varies.

Annexure-III

S.No.	Regional Cum Facilitation Centres	Fund released till date (₹ in lakhs)
1.	RCFC (Northern Region - 1)	625.98242
	Research Institute in Indian Systems of Medicine (RIISM), Joginder Nagar, Dist. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh – 175 015	
2.	RCFC (Northern Region - 2)	679.94130
	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Kashmir (SKUAST-K), Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, Sopore- 193201, Jammu & Kashmir	
3.	RCFC (Eastern Region)	855.67059
	Jadavpur University, 188, Raja S.C. Mallick Road, Kolkata – 700032, West Bengal	
4.	RCFC (Western Region)	489.29454
	Department of Botany, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Ganeshkhind, Pune-411007, Maharashtra	
5.	RCFC (Southern Region)	901.97454
	Kerala Forest Research Institute (KFRI), Peechi – 680653, Thrissur, Kerala	
6.	RCFC (Central Region)	420.25615
	State Forest Research Institute (SFRI). Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh	
	(Project implemented from 2017-18 to 2022-23)	
7.	RCFC (North Eastern Region)	
	(i) Assam Agriculture University, Jorhat, Assam 785006 (Project implemented from 2018-19 to 2020-2021)	89.76
	(ii) Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - North East Institute of Science & Technology (CSIR–NEIST), NH-37, Pulibor, Jorhat, Assam 785006 (Project ongoing from Sept., 2021 to till date)	246.58750
	Total	4309.46704

The details of farmers trained under the projects supported by National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), M/o Ayush under Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities of Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants from the financial year 2021-22 to 2024-25.

S.	S. State / UTs		2	2022-2	3	2023-2	4	2024-2	5	Total	
No .	UIS	No. of proje cts	No. of farm ers	No. of proje cts	No. of farm ers	No. of proje cts	No. of farm ers	No. of proje cts	No. of farm ers	No. of proje cts	No. of farme
1	Andhra Pradesh	1	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	150
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	1	720	0	0	0	0	1	720
3	Assam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Bihar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Chandigar h	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Chhattisga rh	0	0	1	4000	0	0	0	0	1	4000
7	Delhi	0	0	1	2250	0	0	0	0	1	2250
8	Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Gujarat	0	0	0	0	1	300	0	0	1	300
10	Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	1	600	1	600	2	1200
12	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Jharkhand	0	0	1	240	0	0	0	0	1	240
14	Karnataka	1	850	0	0	0	0	1	500	2	1350
15	Kerala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

16	Madhya Pradesh	1	200	1	1820	0	0	0	0	2	2020
17	Maharasht ra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Meghalay a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Orissa	1	50	1	100	0	0	0	0	2	150
23	Puducherr y	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Punjab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Rajasthan	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	550	1	550
26	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Tamil Nadu	1	200	2	550	0	0	2	250	5	1000
28	Telangana	0	0	0	0	1	350	0	0	1	350
29	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Uttarakha nd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
31	Uttar Pradesh	1	300	1	60	0	0	0	0	2	360
32	West Bengal	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	700	1	700
Tota	al .	6	1750	9	9740	3	1250	6	2600	24	15340

The details of Quality Testing and Certification of raw material supported under 'forward and backward linkage in supply chain of medicinal plants' – Integrated Component of Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants from the financial year 2023-24 to till date.

			Financial approved
S.No.	State	Quality Testing and Certification	(Rs. in lakh)
	A 11	Quality Testing (No. of Samples)	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	Certification (Area in Ha.)	2.5
	Tradesii	Sub-total	7.5
	Tomas 0-	Quality Testing (No. of Samples)	1
2	Jammu & Kashmir	Certification (Area in Ha.)	1
	Kasiiiiii	Sub-total	2
	Mizoram	Quality Testing (No. of Samples)	5
3		Certification (Area in Ha.)	2.5
		Sub-total	7.5
		Quality Testing (No. of Samples)	3
4	Uttarakhand	Uttarakhand Certification (Area in Ha.)	
		Sub-total	6
		Quality Testing	14
TOTAL		Certification	9
		Total	23