

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA  
ADMITTED UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1149  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025  
“Conservation of Medicinal Plants in Areas of Mountain Range”**

**1149. SHRI DARSHAN SINGH CHOUDHARY:**

Will the Minister of Ayush be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing a scheme for the conservation of natural medicinal plants in the Satpura mountain range of Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency, especially in the Patalkot, Pachmarhi and Matkuli areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any special programme proposed for the identification, survey and declaration of protected areas for these rare medicinal plant species;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of Government's plans to establish a medicinal research centre in Pachmarhi and Matkuli?

**ANSWER  
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH  
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) & (b): The Government is not implementing any scheme for the conservation of medicinal plants in the Satpura mountain range of Hoshangabad Lok Sabha Constituency, especially in the Patalkot, Pachmarhi and Matkuli areas.

However, under National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of Ayush's "*Central Sector Scheme for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants*" there is a provision to establish Medicinal Plants Conservation Development Areas (MPCDAs) for

conservation / protection of medicinal plants including Rare species in their natural habitats. For establishing MPCDAs, as per provision of scheme guidelines, project based financial assistance @ Rs. 20,000 per ha. is provided to State Forest Departments. The MPCDAs supported under above said scheme in state of Madhya Pradesh are as detailed below:

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of MPCDAs</b>	<b>Supported Area (in ha.)</b>
1.	Amrakantak	200
2.	Barman	200
3.	East Batkakhapa	200
4.	East Chhindwada	200
5.	Tamia	200
6.	Pandurna	200
7.	Dindori	200
8.	Bhoribandh	200
9.	Mavai	200
10.	Kattiwara	200
11.	Karahal	200

(c) & (d): Currently, there is no special program proposed for the identification, survey and declaration of protected areas of these rare medicinal plant species in the Patalkot, Pachmarhi and Matkuli areas.

(e): Currently, the Government has no plan to establish a Medicinal research center in Pachmarhi and Matkuli.