

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2453
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH MARCH, 2016**

IDENTIFICATION OF SANJEEVANI HERB

2453. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

Will the Minister of **AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttarakhand has sought assistance from the Union Government for identification of Sanjeevani herb and medicinal herbs and also for drawing maps in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Union Government for the documentation of these herbs found in Uttarakhand?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)**

(a) to(c): As per available information the Government of Uttarakhand has not sought any assistance from the National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India for identification of Sanjeevani herb.

However, since its inception in year 2000, the NMPB has been implementing schemes/programmes for conservation, sustainable management and development of medicinal plants or medicinal herbs through out the country and in this regard providing assistance to all State Governments including Uttarakhand for carrying out different activities on medicinal plants or herbs.

Presently, the NMPB is implementing a "*Central Sector Scheme on Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants*" Under this scheme the project based financial assistance for survey, inventorization and documentation of medicinal plants or herbs is also being provided to State Government Departments, different Research organisations/Institutes/Universities across the country including state of Uttarakhand.

Similarly, a research council viz. Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) of this Ministry through its peripheral Research institute (Regional Research Institute of Himalayan Flora) at Ranikhet, is also conducting Medico Ethno Botanical Survey in Uttarakhand. The institute have documented several Medico Ethno Botanical claims and so far published two volumes of book titled "Herbal Wealth of Uttarakhand".

In addition, the Botanical Survey of India (BSI), Government of India has also been carrying out survey and documentation of all plant resources including medicinal herbs of the country covering state of Uttarakhand.