

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2524  
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CULTIVATION OF MEDICINAL PLANTS IN GUJARAT  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the State Government of Gujarat for cultivation of medicinal plants in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Government of Gujarat, Department of Agriculture & Co-operation has sent Action Plan involving outlay of Rs. 739.00 lakhs for implementation of "Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Mission on Medicinal Plants" during 2009-10 in the state. A project for Amla Campaign costing Rs. 299.64 lakhs has also been received from State Medicinal Plants Board, Govt. of Gujarat. The proposal aims at promotion of Amla consumption and cultivation through 2500 schools, training to Anganwadi workers, Self Help Groups (SHGs), and also awareness generation through print and electronic media. Both the above proposals of the State government are under Consideration of the Ministry.