

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

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PROPOSALS ON MEDICINAL PLANTS  
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has received a number of proposals from various States/UTs including Madhya Pradesh relating to cultivation of medicinal plants;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) the action taken/proposed by the Government on each of these proposals; and
- (d) the funds allocated by the Government against the approved proposals, State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT.SANTOSH CHOWDHARY)

(a): Yes.

(b) to (d): National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) of Department of AYUSH, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "National Mission on Medicinal Plants" since 2008-09 to encourage farmers to take up cultivation of medicinal plants. The scheme aims at supporting cultivation of prioritized species of medicinal plants and is being implemented in a mission mode for cultivation of medicinal plants in clusters, through Growers, Farmers, Growers Associations, Self Help Groups / Co-operatives / Federations and producer companies etc.

Annual Action Plan proposals were received from States / UTs including the State of Madhya Pradesh for undertaking activities relating to cultivation of medicinal plants under the above scheme. The proposals have already been considered for providing financial assistance as per Operational Guidelines of the scheme. The details of States, funds approved / released are at Annexure.