

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2250
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD SEPTEMBER, 2020**

NATIONAL MEDICAL PLANTS BOARDS

2250. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

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

- (a) whether the National Medical Plants Board is functional/operational in the country;
- (b) if so, the work which has been assigned to them;
- (c) if not, whether the Government has set up or proposes to set up any Substitute board; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)**

(a): Yes. The National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) setup by Government of India in year 2000 is functional/ operational in the country.

(b): The function/work assigned to NMPB is to coordinate with various ministries/ department/ organizations in India and implements, support policies/ programmes for overall (Conservation, Cultivation, Research & Development, Information, Education & Communication and market interventions) growth of medicinal plants sector in the country.

(c) & (d): In view of (a) above, the questions does not arise.