

Ayurvedic Institutions in hilly areas

† 1495. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Ayurvedic vidyalayas set up in the country and their location, State-wise;

the number of such vidyalayas in Himachal Pradesh, with location;

whether Government have formulated any plan to collect herbs found in hilly areas through these vidyalayas, by providing incentives to them; and

if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) The details of Ayurvedic colleges are given in the statement at annexure. (*See Appendix 192, Annexure No 8*]

There is only one Ayurvedic college in Himachal Pradesh, at Paprola in Distt. Kangra.

and (d) No Sir, there is no such scheme. However, under the Central scheme for development and cultivation of medicinal plants, the Central Government provides funds to Government/semi-Government Organisations/ISM colleges, autonomous bodies, etc. for cultivation of medicinal plants which are in great demand but are short in supply. In every Ayurveda College, one herbal garden of medicinal plants is essential as per the norms of the minimum standards of ISM education.

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