

Rare medical plants for treatment of dengue

962. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the traditional village medical healers of remote villages of Tamil Nadu have the knowhow of rare medicinal plants/herbs which they had been using for centuries successfully for the treatment of dengue; and

(b) if so, whether the Ministry has conducted any survey in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) No such information/ report has been received by the Ministry of AYUSH.

(b) The Government has set-up five autonomous Research Councils, namely, Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), Central Council for Research in Yoga & Naturopathy (CCRYN), Central Council for Research in Unani Medicines (CCRUM), Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS) and Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH). The CCRUM has conducted ethno-botanical surveys in different forest divisions in the State of Tamil Nadu. However, no information on medicinal use of plants for the treatment of dengue was gathered from the traditional village medical healers.

Other Councils have also not conducted any such survey.

Allocation under NAM for Tamil Nadu

963. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) what is the allocation made under the National Ayush Mission (NAM) for the State of Tamil Nadu during the financial year 2016-17;

(b) what targets have been set for promotion and strengthening of AYUSH in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) whether the Ministry has undertaken any evaluation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) Under National AYUSH Mission (NAM), an amount of ₹ 2210.00 lakhs (Central Share- ₹ 1326.00 lakhs and State Share- ₹ 884.00 lakhs) has been allocated as the resource pool for the State of Tamil Nadu during the financial year 2016-17.