

AYUSH Mission (NAM) which is being implemented since 2015-16 throughout the country. The "Medicinal Plants" component of the NAM scheme is primarily aimed at supporting cultivation of medicinal herbs / plants on farmers land with backward linkages through establishment of nurseries for supply of quality planting material and forward linkages for Processing and Post - Harvest Management including Marketing Infrastructure (drying sheds / storage godowns etc.).

Prior to NAM Scheme, the cultivation of medicinal herbs / plants was being supported under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "National Mission on Medicinal Plants" of NMPB, Ministry of AYUSH which was implemented from years 2008-09 to 2014-15.

The scheme for cultivation of medicinal herbs / plants is being implemented through Mission Directors identified in different States / UTs who are mainly from State Agriculture / Horticulture Departments.

#### **Identification of land for opening National Institute of AYUSH in Uttarakhand**

†863. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the process of identification of land by the Ministry is under progress for opening National Institute for Ayush in Uttarakhand;

(b) if so, whether efforts are being made to identify the land near the railhead and airport of the State;

(c) whether it is a fact that the purpose for which this Institute has to be opened is found only in the mountainous Himalayan region; and

(d) if so, the rationale behind identifying the land in plain areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) No.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

#### **Expenditure allotted for Ayurvedic treatment system**

†864. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation made towards promoting Ayurvedic treatment system by Government during the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.