

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AYUSH**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2132
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2025**

AYUSH activities in Tirupati

2132. Shri Maddila Gurumoorthy:

Will the Minister of AYUSH be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of AYUSH developmental activities undertaken by the Government in the State of Andhra Pradesh, particularly in Tirupati district during the last five years;
- (b) whether the Government has established or proposed to establish any AYUSH educational or research institutions, wellness centres or hospitals in Andhra Pradesh and Tirupati district under Central Sector or Centrally Sponsored Schemes and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of financial assistance provided to the State and specifically to Tirupati district under the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) and other schemes during the said period.
- (d) whether the Government is promoting cultivation and value-addition of medicinal plants in Andhra Pradesh and Tirupati district through support to farmers and entrepreneurs and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the number of beneficiaries and areas covered under such initiatives and the steps being taken to strengthen AYUSH services in rural and tribal pockets of Tirupati district in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYUSH
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c) Public Health being a State subject, development of Ayush related activities and establishment of Ayush educational institutions/wellness centres/hospitals in Andhra Pradesh including Tirupati district comes under the purview of respective State Government. However, under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Ayush Mission (NAM), Ministry is supporting the efforts of State Government for overall development & promotion of Ayush systems in the State including Tirupati District by providing financial assistance under different activities as per the proposals received from State through State Annual Action Plans (SAAPs) within the existing provisions of NAM guidelines. Under NAM, as per the proposals received from State through SAAPs, consolidated grant in aid of Rs.2882.592 lakhs released to Andhra Pradesh during last 05 years. The major activities supported in Andhra

Pradesh during last 05 years is at **Annexure-I** and details of funds allocated to Tirupati District as reported by the State Government is enclosed at **Annexure II**.

(d) As per the information furnished by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, The A.P. Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Board (APMAPB) conducted a Training Programme on "Nannari- Cultivation, Post Harvest Management and Marketing Opportunities" at RASS-KVK, Tirupati District of Andhra Pradesh on 25th February-2025. About 60 farmers have been benefitted through the programme.

Further the National Medicinal Plant Board (NMPB), under the Ministry of Ayush, implements a Central Sector Scheme for "Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants". This scheme provides financial support for establishing various types of Herbal Gardens and for Medicinal Plant Species Specific Campaigns. The NMPB has supported projects in Andhra Pradesh, specifically in the Tirupati District, including: One project for establishing an Herbal Garden, with financial support of ₹10.80 Lakhs. One project for an Ashwagandha Campaign, with financial support of ₹18.90 Lakhs in the state of Andhra Pradesh especially in the Tirupati District.

In past Ministry of Ayush, Government of India had implemented the medicinal plants component Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) during the financial year 2015-16 to 2020-21 to promote the cultivation of Medicinal Plants throughout the country. As per the scheme guidelines, the support was provided for:

- (i) Cultivation of prioritized medicinal plants on farmer's land.
- (ii) Establishment of nurseries with backward linkages for raising and supply of quality planting material.
- (iii) Post-harvest management with forwarding linkages.
- (iv) Primary processing, marketing infrastructure etc.

The detail of fund approved to Andhra Pradesh Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Board (APMAPB), Andhra Pradesh under Medicinal Plants component of National Ayush Mission Scheme is at **Annexure III**.

Further as per the provision of NMPB's Central Sector Scheme for Conservation, Development and Sustainable Management of Medicinal Plants, Nucleus Centre Maintenance Grant is provided to SMPBs on annual basis. The Nucleus Centre Maintenance Grant is released to State Medicinal Plants Board (SMPB) Andhra Pradesh since F.Y. 2020-21 to till date is at **Annexure IV**.

National Medicinal Plant Board, Ministry of Ayush also supports various institutes/organization to organise awareness Capacity Building program, Exposure Visits, Education and Capacity Building of Stakeholders through Information Education and Communication (IEC) and encouraging farmers or entrepreneurs to grow medicinal plants

under Central Sector Scheme (CSS) for conservation, development and sustainable management of medicinal plants. Details of project supported under IEC activities from the financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25. The details of support under IEC of NMPB is at **Annexure V**.

(e) As reported by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, the number of beneficiaries and areas covered under such initiatives and the steps being taken to strengthen AYUSH services in rural and tribal pockets of Tirupati district in Andhra Pradesh are at **Annexure VI**.

Annexure I

Major initiatives/activities supported in Andhra Pradesh as per the proposals received from State through SAAPs during last five years including current year:

- (i) 02 units of 50-bedded Integrated Ayush Hospitals (IAHs) at Kakinada & Visakhapatnam have been approved in Andhra Pradesh.
- (ii) 4 Ayush Hospitals have been supported for Up-gradation of infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh.
- (iii) 05 Ayush Public Health Programmes have been supported in Andhra Pradesh during last 05 years.
- (iv) 126 Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) and 92 Co-located Ayush facilities have been supported for supply of essential Ayush medicines on an average in each year in Andhra Pradesh.
- (v) 01 unit supported for establishment of New Ayush Educational in Andhra Pradesh.
- (vi) 02 post-graduate have been supported for Upgradation of infrastructure, Library and other things in Andhra Pradesh.
- (vii) out of total 12500 Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) 126 AAM (Ayush) have been approved in Andhra Pradesh.

Annexure II.**Details of funds allocated to Tirupati District as reported by the State Government**

Sl. No.	Name of District	Name of Approved Ayushman Arogya Mandir	Amount Released in Rs/-	Expenditure in Rs/-
1	Tirupathi	Chenganagunta	908507	908507
2		Kurugonda	862329	862329
3		Momidi	801721	801721
4		Mangalam Project	829848	829848
Total:			3402405	3402405

Annexure III.

Details of funds approved to Andhra Pradesh under National AYUSH Mission (2015-16 to 2020- 21) for Cultivation of Medicinal Plants, Infrastructure (Post-harvest managements Units, Nurseries, Collection Centres, Primary Processing Units etc.

Year	Fund approved (including state share (Rs. in Lakhs)
2015-16	133.780
2016-17	455.88
2017-18	211.872
2018-19	128.586
2019-20	314.9084
Total	1245.0264

Annexure IV

The Nucleus Centre Maintenance Grant released to State Medicinal Plants Board (SMPB) Andhra Pradesh since F.Y. 2020-21 to till date

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S. No.	Name of SMPB	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1.	Andhra Pradesh	31.38	21.78	-	35.00	35.00

Annexure V**Details of project supported under IEC activities, NMPB from the financial year 2020-21 to 2024-25.**

S.no .	Details of Project	Title of project	Organization	Sanction Amount (in Lakhs)	Fund released (in Lakh)
1	IEC/AP-01/2021-22-NMPB	National Seminar on Cultivation and Preservation of Medicinal Plants for Economic Growth of Rural Farmers	Sai Radha Krishna Education Society, Tirupati, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	5.00	5.00
2	IEC/AP-02/2024-25-NMPB	National Conference on Prospects and Challenges in Medicinal Plants Sector in India.	Sai Radha Krishna Education Society, Tirupati, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	5.00	5.00

Annexure VI.

Beneficiaries details at Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush) from April 24 to June 25			
Sl. No.	Name of District	Name of Approved Ayushman Arogya Mandir (Ayush)	Beneficiaries of Tirupati District as reported by State Government
1	Tirupathi	Chenganagunta	6814
2		Kurugonda	4372
3		Momidi	2613
4		Mangalam Project	11374
Total:			25173