

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE  
LOK SABHA**

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CULTIVATION OF MEDICINAL PLANTS  
Mohale Shri Punnulal

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the proposals sent by the Government of Chhattisgarh regarding cultivation of medicinal plants;
- (b) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the time by which these proposals are likely to be approved?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) 32 proposals were received from Chhatisgarh during the year 2005-06 by National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) for financial assistance under Contractual Farming Scheme for cultivation of medicinal plants. The proposals were considered and 10 out of these were approved for providing financial assistance amounting to total Rs. 20.62 lakhs. First instalment of assistance involving total expenditure of Rs. 10.31 lakhs has already been released. No proposal has been received so far during the current year.