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STATE MEDICINAL PLANTS BOARD

AYUSH DEPARTMENT, GOVT. OF KERALA



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The National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) was constituted in November 2000 to co-ordinate all activities related to medicinal plants with Head Quarters at New Delhi under the Department of AYUSH, Govt. of India. As per the directions of NMPB, various State Medicinal Plants Boards were established and thus the State Medicinal Plants Board, Kerala (SMPB, Kerala) was formed under the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Kerala in March 2002 with the Minister for Health and Family Welfare as its Chairman.

Aim & Objectives

- To formulate a mechanism at the State level for co-ordinating the activities relating to medicinal plants sector performed by various departments and agencies, policy making, the streamlining of the operating system and other related activities.
- To provide guidance to departments, agencies, farmers etc. engaged in the fields of medicinal plants cultivation, conservation, research and development, marketing and sustainable utilization.

Schemes

National Medicinal Plants Board is implementing two schemes at the state level

- Promotional aspects of medicinal plants.
- Cultivation of medicinal plants for commercial purposes.

At present the SMPB, Kerala is dealing with the promotional aspects of medicinal plants alone and cultivation for commercial purposes and other aspects are carried out by the National Mission on Medicinal Plants implemented by the State Horticulture Mission.



The promotional schemes on medicinal plants are mainly meant for Government, Quasi Government and Non

Governmental Organizations who perform exceptionally well. Financial assistance ranging from 50% to 100% can be expected for the schemes. Funds will be available mainly for Research & Development, Production of Quality Planting Materials, for District Herbal Garden, School and Home herbal gardens, Medicinal Plant parks,

Capacity building, and for Awareness Programmes.







Applications for financial assistance have to be submitted in the prescribed proforma. The proforma and instructions are available in the SMPB, Kerala website: www.smpbkerala.org

