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September, 2024

To

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh

Subject: -

Approval of the project proposal entitled "Setting up of Herbal Gardens in Schools under Education Department of Himachal Pradesh.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter No. Ay.H(A)(8)-8/81-SMPB/HG/School-17970, dated 18.09.2024 on the subject cited above.

In this regard, it is informed that the funds amounting to Rs. 25000/- per school are being released to the concerned District Ayush Officers for further disbursement to the selected schools in the concerned districts as Annexure-B. Now therefore you are directed to provide the bank Account Number of this schools to the concerned district officers, so that above said funds can be distributed to the concerned schools.

The setting up of herbal gardens in schools is a good way of reaching the minds of children and makes them acquainted with the commonly available and frequently used medicinal plants. Thus the focus will be on conserving, propagating the medicinal plants and sensitization on their uses and benefits among the students. Accordingly to achieve the objective of the project, guidelines as annexed at Annexure "A" should be followed during the implementation of the project activities. It is therefore, requested that these guidelines may be circulated among the selected schools under your control under intimation to quarter concerned.

Dy. Director of  
Higher Education  
16 OCT 2024  
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Dharamshala

(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma)  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh.

Office of the Deputy Director of Higher Education  
Kangra at Dharamshala.

Endst. No. EDN-KGR (Misc.) 2022

Dated:

15 Oct, 2024

Copy forwarded to:-

1. All the concerned Principal/Headmaster GSSSs/GHSs (**List attached**) of Distt. Kangra for further necessary compliance as per above direction needful and send the bank account number with IFSC Code to this office with in stipulated period so that the same could be sent to higher authority.
2. I.T. incharge (internal) to upload this on website.
3. Guard file.

Deputy Director of Higher Education,  
Kangra at Dharamshala



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*26/9/24*

**State Medicinal Plants Board, Himachal Pradesh**

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No. ~~Ay. H(A)(8)-8/81-SMPB/HG/School-17972~~ *24136459*

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Dated: Shimla -9, the *18/9/24*

*24136459*  
*23/9/24*

To

✓ The Director Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh,  
Shimla-1.

Subject: **Approval of the project proposal entitled "Setting up of Herbal Gardens in Schools under Education Department of Himachal Pradesh."**

Sir,

Please refer to your office letter number EDN-HE(21)F(07)38/2024-Herbal Garden dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024 on the above-cited subject vide which district-wise list of 75 schools for setting up Herbal gardens have been provided.

In this regard it is informed that the funds amounting to Rs. 25000.00 per school are being released to the concerned District AYUSH Officers for further disbursement to the selected schools in the concerned districts as per following detail.

Sr. No.	District	No. of schools	Amt. (Rs.) @ Rs. 25000.00 per school
1	Bilaspur	5	125000.00
2	Chamba	4	100000.00
3	Hamirpur	4	100000.00
4	Kangra	21	525000.00
5	Kinnaur	2	50000.00
6	Kullu	6	150000.00
7	Lahaul & Spiti	1	25000.00
8	Mandi	8	200000.00
9	Shimla	8	200000.00
10	Sirmour	5	125000.00
11	Solan	6	150000.00
12	Una	5	125000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>1875000.00</b>

✓ The setting up of herbal gardens in schools is a good way of reaching the minds of children and makes them acquainted with the commonly available and frequently used medicinal plants. Thus the focus will be on conserving, propagating the medicinal plants and sensitization on their uses and benefits among the students.



Accordingly to achieve the objective of the project, guidelines as annexed at Annexure 'A' should be followed during the implementation of the project activities. The list of Schools is annexed at Annexure 'B'.

It is, therefore, requested that these guidelines may be circulated among the selected schools under intimation to this office.

Yours faithfully,

*N. Jindal*  
17/9/24

**(Dr. Nipun Jindal, IAS)**

Director AYUSH-cum-Member Secretary,  
State Medicinal Plants Board,  
Himachal Pradesh.  
Tel. No. 0177-2622262.

Encl. as above. - 17971-984

Endst. No. as above.

Copy to:

Dated, Shimla-9, the 18/9/24

1. The Secretary AYUSH to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for information please.
2. All the District AYUSH Officers, Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. The funds may be released to the selected schools as per list enclosed under intimation to the concerned Deputy Director of Education Department. The concerned District Nodal Officers may also be involved for monitoring and guiding the schools. The AMOs from the nearby AHCs in the vicinity of school may be deputed on the request of schools for making students aware about the general uses of the medicinal plants.
3. The Project Officer, Research Institute in ISM, Herbal Garden & Herbarium, Joginder Nagar, Distt. Mandi-175015 for information and necessary action.

*N. Jindal*  
17/9/24

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## **Annexure 'A'**

### **Guidelines for "Setting up of Herbal Gardens in Schools"**

1. The schools should have separate plots to make up an area of 500 sq. m. for the setting up of herbal garden and it may be ensured that the herbal gardens are made in areas which will not be required for construction and the proposed land will not be diverted for any other purpose in the future.
2. 10-15 species of medicinal plants including tree species may be planted as per the agro-climatic zone and focus should be on Rare, Endangered & Threatened (RET) species of medicinal plants.
3. The schools must have boundary wall and irrigation facilities.
4. The schools will be responsible for maintenance of the herbal gardens with the active involvement of the students and parent-teacher associations/ NGOs and also make special arrangements during school vacation period.
5. Students will be involved in labeling the plants, watering, weeding etc. which will enhance the knowledge of the students about the benefits and uses of the species nurtured by them.
6. The material from School Herbal Gardens could be utilized for further propagation.
7. An amount of Rs. 7000.00 per school per year will be provided up to four years for the maintenance of herbal garden after the satisfactory utilization of funds to the tune of Rs. 25000.00 per school being released for the setting up of herbal garden (subject to receipt of Grant for recurring expenditure from GoI). The schools will ensure the post project maintenance when the grant-in-aid will be stopped after five years.
8. The proper beds (1m width & length as per available space) may be made for planting the plants and the same may be maintained afterwards. Remove all pebbles, non-biodegradable material from the soil bed.
9. The plants may be planted with proper spacing for allowing space to grow. The tree species can be planted on the sides/ boundaries.
10. The plates may be fixed in the beds thereby providing local name, botanical name, family and uses of the particular medicinal plant.

11. The plants may be irrigated immediately after transplantation & thereafter regularly for saving them from drying as per climatic conditions.
12. The FYM/ vermi-compost (100-200g/plant or 3-5 kg m<sup>2</sup>) may be mixed in soil for proper growth of the plant.
13. Apply vermin-compost/FYM as per above mentioned dose at least twice a year.
14. Weeding & hoeing may be done from time to time to avoid competition to the plant.
15. The plants may be checked regularly for diseases or pest attack, if any. Make use of organic insecticide & fungicide, if required.
16. Mulching can also be done as per requirement.
17. Maintain proper drainage system. Do not allow water stagnation in the beds/field in any case.
18. Keep removing diseased & dead parts from the plant.
19. Keep field beds raised during monsoon season and sunken while winter & summer seasons.
20. Quarterly survival report of the plants may be submitted to the concerned District AYUSH Officers.

The concerned District AYUSH Officers may be contacted for deputing the Ayurvedic Medical Officers from the nearby Ayurvedic Health Centres in the vicinity of school for making students aware about the general uses of the medicinal plants. Also the Project Officer, Research Institute in ISM, Joginder Nagar, Distt. Mandi (01908-222970) may be contacted for any technical support and availability of planting material on cost basis.



**Annexure 'B'****List of 21 schools:**

Sr. No.	Name of the District	Sr. No.	Name of Schools
4	Kangra	1	GSSS Gahin-Lagore
		2	GSSS Indora
		3	GSSS Rehan
		4	GSSS Trilokpur
		5	GSSS Dehra
		6	GSSS Bankhandi
		7	GSSS Ghamroor
		8	GSSS Kathog
		9	GSSS Lagru
		10	GSSS Harsi
		11	GSSS Lahat
		12	GSSS Thural
		13	GSSS Baroh
		14	GSSS Dhaloon
		15	GHS Jogipur
		16	GSSS Durgella
		17	GGSSS Dharamshala
		18	GHS Sidhbari
		19	GSSS Bundla
		20	GSSS Khalet
		21	GBSSS Paprola