Annual Activity Report as on 31st March ,2020 of <u>State Medicinal Plants Board, Odisha</u>

- 1. To create awareness on conservation, use, cultivation and marketing of medicinal plants, State Medicinal Plants Board has been conducting a State Level Kalinga Herbal Fair and Regional level Kalinga Herbal Fairs in different Divisions of the State. During this financial year 12th State level Kalinga Herbal Fair was conducted at IDCO Exhibition Ground from 4th to 8th November, 2019 containing 120 no. of stalls. The main participants were ATPs, SHGs, Traders, Manufacturers, Yoga, Govt. organizations etc from different parts of the Odisha. Again two nos. of Regional Kalinga Herbal Fair has been conducted at Gopalpur from 24th to 28th December, 2019 and Phulbani from 18th to 22nd December, 2019.
- 2. Two nos. of four days duration training programmes conducted at Chandipur, Balasore & at Sambadika Bhawan, Bhubaneswar with 156 participants from Ayurvedic Traditional Practitioners, Medicinal Plants Cultivators, Forest officials, Plants lovers, NGO & VSS members on "Doubling farmers' income through cultivation of MAP QPM with forward market linkage".
- 3. During the financial year 2019-20, steps have been taken up in four divisions namely "Baripada, Bargarh, Keonjhar & Rayagada" by taking help of OUAT/ Silviculture/ RPRC for raising seedlings of Sarpagandha (*Rouvolfia serpentina*).
- Free distribution of SMPB publication odia books i:e. "Ama badi bagichara ousadhiya brukshya, lata o gulma" & NMPB guidelines in odia occurred.
- **5.** Steps have been taken for establishment of **Help Desk** under each division and accordingly nodal officers are selected by different divisions (T/WL/KL) for developing a linkage between medicinal plant cultivators & SMPB.
- 6. Eight nos. of participants (Medicinal Plants Cultivators, Traders, ATPs, NGOs nominated by SMPB, Odisha have participated in 7th International Herbal Fair conducted at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh during the month of December, 2019.
- Two nos. of participants (ATPs, Farmer Cluster Organiser & Entrepreneur) nominated by SMPB, Odisha have participated in Annual Kissan Mela- 2020 conducted in CIMAP Campus, Lucknow. during the month of January, 2020.
- Ten nos. of participants (Medicinal Plants Cultivators, Traders, ATPs, NGOs nominated by SMPB, Odisha have participated in Regional level Consultative Workshop on Medicinal Plants at Gandhi Bhawan, jadavpur, University, Kolkata on 26th February, 2020.
- **9.** Two nos. of Forest staff namely Sri Giridhari Nag, Range Offier, Naria Range of Kalahandi (N) Division and Sri Chandan Gomango, Range Officer, Chitrakonda Range of Malakangiri Division were nominated by SMPB and participated the training

programme on "Good Agricultural and Collection Practices of Medicinal Plants" organized by ICAR-Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research (ICAR-DMAPR), Anand held from 2nd- 6th March, 2020.

- 10. SMPB have already selected twelve Forest Divisions namely State Silviculturist, Bhubaneswar/ Silviculturist ,Rayagada /Chief Executive, RPRC/ Bhubaneswar /Divisional Forest Officer, City Forest, Bhubaneswar/ Khurda/ Berhmapur/ Koraput/ Raygada/ Jeypore/ Baragarh/ Bolangir & Malkanagiri in Odisha for raising of 2 lakhs sapling through nursery development activities. In this purpose SMPB released Rs.10 lakhs in two instalments. 2.00 lakhs saplings have already been raised and half of the sapling was distributed by the DFOs and the rest will be distributed in forthcoming months.
- 11. About 527 participants consisting of ATPs (Vaidya) / VSS members/ Forest staffs / NGO members / Plant lover / Medicinal plants farmer etc of Bargarh , Bolangir , Jeypore , Baripada & Kalahandi Forest Division have been trained under 1 (one) day training programme on "Conservation and Sustainable Harvesting of Medicinal Plants"
- 12. Exposure visit was successfully completed by Bargarh and Nayagarh Forest division and Buyer – Seller meet was also conducted by Jeypore, Baripada, Bargarh & Kalahandi (S) forest division.

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