



Chamoli Herbs will Now Be Sold Across the Country, Ministry of AYUSH has Registered 48 Cultivators

Why In News?

According to information received from media sources on April 9, 2023, the Union Ministry of **AYUSH** has **registered 48 farmers cultivating** herbs in Chamoli district. Now these cultivators will be able to sell herbs in any corner of the country.

Key Points

- It is known that the cultivators of the villages of the **high Himalayan regions of Chamoli** are doing business of crores of rupees every year by cultivating Kutki and other herbs on a large scale.
- Last year, the farmers of Chamoli district sold Kutki worth about two crore rupees. Farmers are producing Kutki on about **10 hectares of land in Ghes and Van villages** of Deval block. The cost of Kutki prepared every three years is Rs 1200 per kg.
- Human healers' company of Srinagar Garhwal buys Kutki from farmers. Garhwal University helps in the cultivation of Kutki.
- It is worth mentioning that the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India is going to make a documentary on herbal farming in the villages of the Himalayan region. The Ministry of AYUSH gives a **70% subsidy for Kutki** cultivation. In this sequence, the Ministry is now making a documentary to connect more and more farmers with the cultivation of herbs, the problems of the farmers.
- It is noteworthy that the herb Kutki, which is grown at an **altitude of 2700 to 4500 meters in the higher Himalayan regions**, is used as a blood purifier, strength, tide and sugar medicine. Kutki is also used in the treatment of Jaundice, hepatitis, allergies, asthma and skin diseases. Apart from this, it is also used as a medicine for arthritis, blood disorders, hiccups and vomiting.



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