

National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB)

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In news

Minister of State (IC) for AYUSH inaugurated the Regional Raw Drug Repository (RRDR) of NMPB at All India Institute of Ayurveda

About Regional Raw Drug Repository (RRDR)

- This RRDR is the second in the series of repositories proposed by National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH
- It will be dedicated to the Trans-Ganga Plain Region.
- In order to document the diversity in the genetics and chemistry of medicinal plants, eight RRDR and one NRDR have been proposed by the Ministry of AYUSH.
- RRDR for Trans- Ganga Plain Region covers four states - Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi and Punjab.
- This region has a huge potential for medicinal raw materials.

About National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB)

- It was set up by the government of India in the year 2000
- Currently, the board is located in the Ministry of AYUSH
- NMPB supports programs for quality assurance and standardization through:
 - development of Good Agricultural and Collection Practices (GACPs)
 - development of monographs laying down standards of quality, safety and efficacy;
 - development of agro-techniques and credible institution a mechanism for certification of

quality of raw drugs, seeds and planting material.

Mandate of NMBP

The primary mandate of NMPB is to develop an appropriate mechanism for coordination between various ministries/ departments/ organizations in India and implements support policies/programs for overall (conservation, cultivation, trade and export) growth of medicinal plants sector both at the Central /State and International level.