



**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR**  
**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**  
**CIVIL SECRETARIAT, J&K.**

**Subject: Constitution of Committee to formulate a comprehensive and actionable roadmap for commercial Cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants (MAPs) in the Union territory of Jammu & Kashmir**

**Government Order No.:199-JK(GAD) of 2026**  
**Dated:12.02.2026**

Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of Committee, comprising the following, for formulating a comprehensive and actionable roadmap for commercial Cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants (MAPs) in the Union territory of Jammu & Kashmir:-



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| 1. | Administrative Secretary,<br>Agriculture Production Department        | Chairperson |
| 2. | Administrative Secretary,<br>Forest, Ecology & Environment Department | Member      |
| 3. | Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/HoFF, J&K                      | Member      |
| 4. | Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu/Kashmir                                 | Member(s)   |
| 5. | Director, CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM), Jammu | Member      |
| 6. | Mission Director, HADP/JKCIP  | Member      |
| 7. | Director Rural Development Department,<br>Jammu/Kashmir               | Member(s)   |

*The Chairperson of the Committee may co-opt any additional member(s) as deemed necessary for effective discharge of the Committee's mandate.*

**Terms of Reference:**

- i. To prepare a detailed and implementable project report for promotion and commercial cultivation of identified medicinal and aromatic plant species, keeping in view agro-climatic suitability, market demand, value chain development, and sustainability.
- ii. To engage with and seek inputs from relevant private sector stakeholders, including industries, processors, exporters, and other market participants operating in the medicinal and aromatic plants sector, and incorporate their feedback to ensure a holistic and market-driven approach.
- iii. To recommend suitable financial incentives, support mechanisms, and risk-mitigation measures for farmers and entrepreneurs intending to undertake commercial cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants.

- iv. To examine existing regulatory frameworks and norms of the Forest Department and recommend appropriate relaxations, procedural simplifications, and policy interventions to facilitate:
  - a. Registration of cultivators,
  - b. Cultivation of shortlisted medicinal and aromatic plant species, and;
  - c. Harvesting, storage, transportation, and marketing of produce, while ensuring compliance with conservation and sustainability principle
- v. To suggest institutional mechanisms for implementation monitoring and convergence with ongoing schemes and missions of the Agriculture, Forest and allied sectors.

**By Order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.**

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**(M.Raju)IAS**  
Commissioner/Secretary to the Government

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2. Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K
3. Joint Secretary(JKL), Ministry of Home Affairs, GoI, New Delhi
4. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Forest, Ecology & Environment Department
5. Secretary to the Government, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department
6. Director Information, J&K
7. Director, Archives, Archaeology & Museums, J&K
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