

**“Training Programme on Good Agriculture Practices for Cultivation of Medicinal Plants”  
on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018 at CYSD, Bhubaneswar, Odisha**

- The main objective of the programme was to motivate and share the procedure to farmers for Good Agriculture Practices for Cultivation of Medicinal Plants.
- Shri S.P. Mohapatra, IFS, CEO-cum-Member Secretary of SMPB, Odisha, Dr. P.K. Sarkar Director & Nodal Officer, SMPB, West Bengal, Dr. S.C. Swain, Associate Professor (Hort.) Department of Botany, Odisha University of Agriculture & Technology, Odisha, Dr. S. Bhatnagar of Regional Plant Resource Centre, Govt. of Odisha, Shri Harmohan Maharta, IFS (Retd.) & Master trainer of NMPB and Shri S.K. Das, Entrepreneur (Medicinal Plants) & Adjunct Professor, Centurion University were amongst the resource persons.
- It has been concluded that the in Odisha there are lots of cultivation of medicinal plants is initiated with the active support of Horticulture Department. But there is a demand of proper marketing and value chain management to get the maximum benefit to the farmers with the active involvement of different agencies like Tribal Development Co-operative Corporation of Odisha Ltd. (TDCC), Odisha Forest Development Cooperation (OFDC), Odisha Livelihood Mission, Mart as well as online marketing hub like e-Charak

