

Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding the welfare activities for Tribals.

SHRIMATI KOTHAPALLI GEETHA (ARAKU): Madam, Speaker, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to speak.

Madam, Today is the International Tribal Day. After 70 years of Independence, tribals still remain the vulnerable population of the country. I thank the Government for protecting the tribal people against the atrocities by passing the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Amendment Bill, 2018.

I wish that this Act will be implemented in true spirit. ... (*Interruptions*) Even today, the Government is doing many welfare activities for the tribals. ... (*Interruptions*) I wish that the Tribal Sub-Plan grants are being utilized for the purpose for which they have been granted. ... (*Interruptions*) These funds should not be diverted, and end-point delivery mechanism should be ensured so that it reaches the vulnerable masses. ... (*Interruptions*)

On this day, Madam, through you, I would like to greet all the tribal fraternity across the globe a Happy International Tribal Day. ... (*Interruptions*) Thank you so much, Madam. . . . (*Interruptions*)

माननीय अध्यक्ष: डा. कुलमणि सामल को श्रीमती के.गीता द्वारा उठाए गए विषय के साथ संबद्ध करने की अनुमति प्रदान की जाती है।