

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SOCIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to call a meeting of tribal MPs to discuss the ongoing welfare schemes for tribals;
- (b) if so, the objectives thereof;
- (c) the details of funds earmarked for setting up model technical/vocational institutes for tribal youths; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c)&(d) The Central Sector Scheme of Vocational training in Tribal areas is being implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs through the State Governments/UT Administrations, Educational and other institutions, local bodies, NGOs etc., which is aimed at developing the skill of tribal youth to enable them to gain employment or equip themselves for self employment opportunities. The normal capacity of each vocational training centre is 100 with hostel facilities for 50. Each Centre may cater to 5 vocational courses in traditional skills depending on the employment potential of the area. Each tribal boy/girl will be trained in two trades of his/her choice for a duration of 3 months. Each trainee is also attached to a master Craftsman in semi-urban/urban areas to learn skills by practical experience. There is provision of monthly stipend and grant for raw material for the trainees. The details of expenditure incurred in the last few years and the Budget provision for 2000-2001 are as follows:-

Year Amount
(Rs. in Crores)

1997-98	3.45
1998-99	4.71
1999-2000	3.75
2000-2001	11.00

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