

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:861  
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EXTINCTION OF JUANG TRIBES  
KANTI SINGH

**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the increasing extinction of Juang Tribes in Orissa;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefore; and
- (c) the steps taken to prevent their untimely death particularly in Keonjhar district in Orissa?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM):

(a) and (b) According to the Registrar General of India, the population of the Juang Tribals in Orissa has increased from 30876 in 1981 to 35665 in 1991 as per the 1981 and 1991 census data respectively.

(c) No instance of untimely death has come to the notice of this Ministry. However, the Government of Orissa are implementing various socio-economic programmes by setting up a micro project (The Juang Development Agency) registered under the Society Registration Act for the overall development of Juangs, a Primitive Tribal Group in Orissa. In addition funds are also available under the Central Sector Scheme for the development of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) for the implementation of programmes by the State Governments and Non-Government Organisations.