

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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PRIMITIVE TRIBAL GROUPS

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise and area-wise details of tribal population categorised under primitive tribal groups in the country;
- (b) the percentage of tribals belonging to these sections;
- (c) whether any survey is being carried out for gathering information regarding their social stature and economic conditions; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM):

- (a) A statement showing the State-wise population of tribals, categorized under primitive tribal groups is annexed.
- (b) As per the 1991 census, the Primitive Tribal Groups constitute 3.56% of the Scheduled Tribes population in the country.
- (c) and (d) The State Governments/UT Administrations where Primitive Tribal Groups(PTGs) reside have been requested to conduct a base line survey which will, inter-alia, include information regarding their social and economic condition.