

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1521

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PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF TRIBAL LANGUAGES CULTURE

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to preserve and promote the tribal languages and culture in the country;
- (b) if so, the names of schemes being run by the Union Government to preserve the tribal languages and culture in Scheduled areas of various tribal populated districts particularly in Jharkhand and make the tribals self reliant; and
- (c) the district-wise details of the achievements of various schemes in the areas of health, employment and education sectors being run by the Union Government through Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) :

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Research and Training supplements the efforts of State Governments, to preserve and promote the Tribal Culture and provides for financial assistance on 50:50 basis. In addition, the Scheme of Educational Complexes in Low Literacy Pockets provides for 100% financial assistance and enjoins upon the grantee institutions to impart coaching to the Tribal girls students from class I to III in local Tribal dialects only to preserve and promote tribal languages and culture.

(c) A number of schemes have been sanctioned for the development of tribals in the field of health, employment and education sectors. A Statement showing District-wise details of the schemes sanctioned during the last three years is enclosed.