GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1091 ANSWERED ON:23.11.2007 WELFARE OF TRIBALS Jadhao Shri Prakash B.

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal of financial assistance from the State Governments for the welfare of tribals; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the estimated funds required therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS(SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a)&(b): Yes,Sir.The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements various Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored Schemes/ Programmes for the welfare of tribal people in the country. Receipt and sanction of the proposals from the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations under the schemes of this Ministry is an on-going process. Funds under the schemes of the Ministry are released to the State/ UT Governments based on the percentage of ST population in the State/UT, the proposals submitted by them, fulfilment of the eligibility conditions of the relevant scheme, subject to the availability of funds and utilisation of the previously released funds. The State-wise allocation to various States/Union Territories under different schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the year 2007-08 is Annexed. Against the Budget Estimates of Rs. 1719.71 crore for various Plan schemes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the year 2007-08, the Ministry after considering the proposals of the States/ UT Administrations under the respective schemes/ programmes has till 31.10.2007 released a sum of Rs.786.00 crores to various States/ Union Territories.