

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5724

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ST COMMUNITIES BELOW POVERTY LINE

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of scheduled Tribes living below the poverty line in various States;
- (b) the percentage of Scheduled Tribes benefited by various schemes of the Government during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) whether the number of BPL people have increased in various States during the said period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to bring them at par with the people of other communities

Answer

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

(a) The Planning Commission estimates the incidence of poverty at National and State level. The latest such survey was conducted in 1999-2000. A statement showing State-wise percentage of Scheduled Tribe population living below the poverty line in 1993-94 and 1999-2000 is at Annexure I.

(b) The number of Scheduled Tribe families benefited under various schemes of Government under Point 11(b) of 20 Point Programme during the last three years is given in the Statement (Annexure-II).

(c) & (d) It may be observed from the Statement (Annexure-I) that in most of the States/UTs the number of BPL people have decreased. The BPL population has been increased in the rural areas of Orissa and in the Urban areas of Bihar and Gujarat.

(e) Various schemes under the sectors of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Forestry, MFP Operations, Minor Irrigation and Cottage and Small Scale Industries are being implemented under the strategies of rural development and Tribal Sub-Plan for raising income level of scheduled Tribes.

Annexure -I

Statement referred to Part(a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q.No.5724 for 3.5.2005 regarding ST families below poverty line

Percentage of Population below Poverty Line by States for Scheduled Tribes

Sl.No States Rural Urban

1993-94 99-2000 1993-94 1999-2000

1 Andhra Pradesh	25.66	23.82	46.68	44.99
2 Assam	41.44	38.73	7.11	2.7
3 Bihar	69.75	56.68	35.76	39.47
4 Gujarat	31.20	29.11	35.47	36.66
5 Haryana	41.55	-	0.00	-
6 Himachal Pradesh	63.94	5.73	0.00	-
7 Karnataka	37.33	25.49	62.05	51.37
8 Kerala	37.34	24.20	1.08	-
9 Madhya Pradesh	56.69	56.26	65.28	52.59
10 Maharashtra	50.38	43.56	61.06	42.98
11 Orissa	71.26	73.93	64.85	59.59
12 Punjab	27.00	17.99	0.00	12.95
13 Rajasthan	46.23	25.27	13.21	20.71
14 Tamil Nadu	44.37	43.20	30.08	5.22
15 Uttar Pradesh	37.11	34.06	36.89	13.27

16 West Bengal	61.95	50.02	19.41	31.88
17 All India	51.94	45.86	41.14	34.75

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(i) The Poverty Line for all population is used for STs.

(ii) All India poverty ratio is worked out from the NSS distribution of persons and (implicit) all India poverty line.

Annexure II

Annexure referred to in reply to part(b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.5724 for Answer on 3.5.2005

Statement showing State-wise Achievements under point 11(b) of 20point programme during, 2002-2003, 2003-04 and 2004-05 (upto Dec.,2004)

S. No.	Name of States/UTs	2002-2003	2003-04	2004-05
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ST families	ST families	ST families
economically	economically	economically
assisted	assisted	assisted
till December, 2004		

1 Andhra Pradesh	96440	1,71,538	-
2 Assam	42928	42,667	23223
3 Bihar	5429	6,588	3998
4 Gujarat	96762	1,35,482	-
5 Himachal Pradesh	4888	4743	99060
6 Jammu & Kashmir	216	6328	
7 Karnataka	16589	29,106	-
8 Kerala	1066	5,269	-
9 Madhya Pradesh	220299	197,408	504
10 Maharashtra	53799	26,574	105615
11 Manipur	2425	Nil	-
12 Orissa	75732	89,458	33150
13 Rajasthan	87217	88,167	1500
14 Sikkim	3979	6,192	41063
15 Tamil Nadu	9870	29,843	48583
16 Tripura	10616	9,772	3454
17 Uttar Pradesh	486	130	107546
18 West Bengal	32234	30,422	1066
19 Jharkhand	-	-	886
20 Chhattisgarh		918	
21 Uttranchal	2415	2415	1,091 17802
22 A & N Islands	1881	1881	1,630 326
23 Daman & Diu	783	783	772 1113

Total	765838	5079	8,77,018	496135
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