

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1970

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BUDGETARY ALLOCATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBALS

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

- (a) whether the Government is providing budgetary support for the development of tribals in proportion to their population;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and in the current year;
- (c) whether the State Governments have fully utilized the above budgetary support;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS ( DR. TUSHAR A.CHOUDHRY )

(a) : Planning Commission provides budgetary support to various Ministries including Ministry of Tribal Affairs keeping in view the overall Gross Budgetary support and prioritisation of sector requirements. Further, the Central (line) Ministries allocate 10% of their total budgetary Support for the North Eastern Region, which houses a large segment of the tribal population. In addition, these Ministries are also required to earmark a minimum of 8% of their budgetary support as Tribal Sub-Plan Component.

(b) : The details of budgetary allocation and expenditure of Ministry of Tribal Affairs during the last three years and allocation for the current year are at Annexure.

(c) (d) & (e) : The shortfall in the expenditure has been mainly on account of lack of proposals from the State Governments and non-submission of utilization certificates in respect of amounts already released to them. The state Governments are periodically addressed and persuaded through letters, telephonic calls, visits and in meetings to spend their allocations, submit utilization certificates and proposals for further releases.

**Annexure**

**Budget Estimates (BE) and Expenditure during 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and BE 2009-10**

( Rs. In Crore)

Year    Budget Estimates    Expenditure

2006-07    1656.90    1647.73

2007-08    1719.17    1524.32

2008-09    2121.00    1805.92

2009-10    2705.50