

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF FOREST VILLAGES
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of forest villages located in the protected area under the Forest Village Development Scheme in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) the amount of funds sought by the State Government for the developmental works in the said forest villages; and
- (c) the time by which funds are likely to be sanctioned by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. TUSHAR A. CHAUDHARY)

(a), (b) &(c): As per information received from the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF), there are 893 forest villages in the Madhya Pradesh. Under the programme of development of forest villages, the State Government submitted proposals for 867 forest villages and Ministry has released Rs 25994.57 lakh so far. State Government had also submitted a proposal for 28 villages located in the protected areas (National Parks & Sanctuaries); and since these villages are not forest villages identified by MoEF, the proposal was not considered for funding under the programme.