GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4424 ANSWERED ON:20.08.2010 NSTFDC Rathwa Shri Ramsinhbhai Patalbhai

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of tribals who have received financial assistance to set up economic enterprises from the National Scheduled Tribes Financial and Development Corporation (NSTFDC);
- (b) the figures for the last five years, year-wise, industry-wise, area-wise and State-wise; and
- (c) the number of the tribals who have become successful entrepreneurs in the last five years, State-wise and region-wise?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Concessional finance is provided by NSTFDC through State Channelising Agencies/ Banks/ Regional Rural Banks for economic upliftment of STs upto double the poverty line for a variety of schemes relevant to beneficiaries factoring in their skills, available resources etc. The economic enterprises financed by NSTFDC include Bangle Shop, Broom Manufacturing, Dairy, Sheep/ Goat/ Pig Rearing, Fishery, Auto/ Cycle Rickshaw, Horticulture, Poultry etc. NSTFDC maintains only state-wise data of STs assisted under its schemes and area-wise data is not maintained.

Details of beneficiaries under NSTFDC schemes for the last five years are given at Annex, year-wise and state-wise.

- (c): Success of schemes of NSTFDC is measured in terms of improvement in socio-economic aspects of targeted ST beneficiaries. Evaluation studies conducted through reputed organizations have found in good number of cases:
- (i) increase in well being of families
- (ii) rise in income level of beneficiaries
- (ili) improvement in status of beneficiaries, etc.

The specific details of such tribals who have become successful entrepreneurs are not maintained.