

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SCHEMES FOR TRIBAL WOMEN

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of programmes being implemented by the Union Government for tribal women;
- (b) the funds allocated, released and utilised under the said programmes during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the number of institutions and Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) in the country which have been provided grants under the said programmes during the above period, State-wise/ UT-wise; and
- (d) the number of tribal women so far benefited under the aforesaid scheme?

Answer

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

- (a) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing the Central Sector scheme of 'Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts', exclusively for scheduled tribe girls, in order to bridge the gap in literacy levels between the general female population and tribal women, through facilitating 100 % enrolment of tribal girls in the identified districts / blocks. The scheme has been revised in the year 2008-09. The National Scheduled Tribe Finance and Development Corporation, the apex institution of the Ministry, for financing schemes / projects for the economic development of the eligible tribals, is also implementing an exclusive scheme for the economic development of scheduled tribe women titled "Adivasi Mahila Sashaktikaran Yojana (AMSY)", for providing concessional financial assistance to tribal women for income generating activities.
- (b) The State-wise details of funds, allocated and released during the last three years and the current year, for the Central Sector scheme are at Annexure-I. No funds are allocated separately for AMSY scheme. 30% of Notional allocation is earmarked for tribal women, covered under all the schemes including AMSY, being implemented by NSTFDC.
- (c) The State-wise/UT-wise details of the number of Institutions and Non-Governmental Organizations, provided grants under the scheme of Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts, during the last three years, are at Annexure- II. No grants are given under AMSY.
- (d) 47418 tribal women have benefited so far, under the revised scheme of Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts. 47965 tribal women have benefited so far, under AMSY.