GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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

The total population of tribals in the rural/urban and tribal areas of the country including Uttar Pradesh and the number of such people living below the poverty line; State-wise and Community-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS(SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA)

As per census 2001, the latest available information, total population of tribals in the country including Uttar Pradesh is 8,43,26,240, out of which 7,73,38,597 reside in rural areas and 69,87,643 reside in urban areas.

The Planning Commission estimates the incidence of poverty at national level and state level from large sample survey on Household Consumer Expenditure conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO). The State-wise and UT-wise tribal population living below poverty line as estimated by the Planning Commission based on NSSO 2004-05 survey data are given at Annexure-I. Detailed lists of BPL households, including social classification of such households, are maintained by the respective States/UTs.