

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of funds released by the Union Government for the development of forests villages during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) the number of projects sanctioned for the development of these villages during for the said period, State-wise, and;
- (c) the expenditure incurred by the State Governments on each project during the said period, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The programme for Development of Forest Villages was launched in 2005-06. Under the programme, infrastructure work relating to basic services and facilities viz. approach roads, healthcare, primary education, minor irrigation, rainwater harvesting, drinking water, sanitation, community hall etc. and activities related to livelihood are taken up for implementation. There are 2,474 forest villages/ habitations in the country, spread over 12 States, including Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. State-wise statement showing number of forest villages for which proposals approved, funds released and utilization reported during the last three years and current year is enclosed.