

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4919
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FOREST VILLAGES
Dhurve Jyoti

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has implemented any scheme for the upliftment of forest villages; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The programme for Development of Forest Villages was launched in 2005-06, during the 10th Five Year Plan with funding out of grant under Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan. Under the programme, activities related to livelihood and infrastructure work relating to basic services and facilities viz. approach roads, healthcare, primary education, minor irrigation, rainwater harvesting, drinking water, sanitation, community hall etc; are taken up for implementation. There are 2,474 forest villages in the country, spread over 12 States. Rs. 63879.36 lakh has so far been released for 2423 forest villages in these 12 States. Details of forest villages funded and State-wise fund released from 2005-06 to 2010-11 are at Annexure.