GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2664
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EKALAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS
Shanavas Shri M. I.

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the capital cost for establishing the Ekalavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) is higher for hilly areas;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has made any specific allocations for EMRSs to be established in hilly areas; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a): Yes Madam, the capital cost for establishing the Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) is higher for hill areas. The Capital Cost for the School complex, including hostels and staff quarters per school is `12.00 crore with a provision to go up to `16.00 crore in Hill Areas, deserts and islands.
- (b) & (c): No specific allocation for EMRS to a State including those having hill areas is made. However, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) are set up by utilizing a part of grant under Article 275(1) of the Constitution for which State wise allocation is made on the basis of percentage of Scheduled Tribes population in the State with reference to total ST population in the Country. Priority for the development- schemes including setting up of EMRS is fixed and executed by the State Government within the allocation depending on the felt need of the local area and its people in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Ministry.