

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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TRIBAL WOMEN AND CHILDREN
Das Shri Khagen

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes specifically designed for tribal women and children in the country and the percentage of total budget allocated for the said schemes;
- (b) the initiatives taken by the Government to improve infrastructure, livelihood, education etc. of tribal women in the country including Bihar during the last three years;
- (c) whether Government proposes to provide special package for tribal women; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

- (a): This Ministry is implementing a scheme of "Strengthening Education among ST Girls in Low Literacy Districts" which caters exclusively to ST Girls. This scheme aims to bridge the gap between literacy levels of general females population and ST women. The budget allocated for this scheme is 1.075% of the total budget of this Ministry.
- (b): This Ministry is implementing many schemes for the development of infrastructure, livelihood, education etc. of ST population. These schemes are also benefitting ST women and the ST population of Bihar as well as those of other States. A list of schemes implemented by this Ministry is at Annexure-I.
- (c): No Madam. The Ministry does not propose any special package for tribal women.
- (d): Does not arise.