

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SKILL DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any schemes to train tribals in the art of skill development and similar other jobs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the employment opportunities created therefrom; and
- (c) the number of tribal families benefitted from these schemes during the last three years and the current years?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements a Central Sector Scheme called 'Vocational Training in Tribal Areas' under which grant-in-aid is provided to the State Governments/UT Administrations and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for running Vocational Training Centres (VTCs). The main aim of this scheme is to upgrade the skills of tribal youth in various traditional/modern vocations depending upon their educational qualifications, present economic trends and market potential. The grant-in-aid is provided for imparting training to Scheduled Tribes in VTCs to enable them to get employment/self-employment. The details of number of trainees (State-wise) for which grant-in-aid has been released during the last three years and current year is at Annexure.