GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3307 ANSWERED ON:31.08.2012 SCHEDULED TRIBES POPULATION Panda Shri Baijayant

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the proportion of Scheduled Tribes in the total population of the North-Eastern States, State-wise;
- (b) whether there has been a change in the occupational pattern of Scheduled Tribes in these areas in the last decade (i.e. from 2001 to 2011); and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a): The proportion of Scheduled Tribes in the total population of the North-Eastern States, State-wise, as per Census 2001, is given below:	
S.No States Total Population ST Population % age of STs in the State to 2001	2001 2001 total State population in
India 1,028,610,328 84,326,240 8.2	
1 Arunachal Pradesh 1,097,968 705,158 64.2	
2 Assam 26,655,528 3,308,570 12.4	
3 Manipur 2,166,788 741,141 34.2	

- 4 Meghalaya 2,318,822 1,992,862 85.9
- 5 Mizoram 888,573 839,310 94.5
- 6 Nagaland 1,990,036 1,774,026 89.1
- 7 Sikkim 540,851 111,405 20.6

8 Tripura 3,199,203 993,426 31.1

(b) & (c): RGI has stated that data of Scheduled Tribes population returned in 2011 Census has not yet been finalized. However, NSS 61st Round Report No. 516 for the year 2004-05 indicates distribution (per 1000) of household according to their economic activity, as per Annexure.