

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated proposes to formulate any scheme for economic and industrial development of the tribal areas of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Maharashtra?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No Madam. However, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing Central Sector Scheme called "Market Development of Tribal Products/Produce" through Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Ltd. (TRIFED). Further, National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC) under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has formulated certain concessional schemes for economic development of individuals or groups of STs for providing small loans in agricultural, services, transport or industrial sectors. These schemes are not tribal area specific; these are implemented throughout the country including Maharashtra.