

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:712
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LIVELIHOOD TO TRIBALS IN NAXAL AFFECTED DISTRICTS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up a foundation to provide a livelihood to tribals in naxal-affected districts in various States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the source of fund and new opportunities proposed to be provided to the youths?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

(a) & (b): At present, this is no proposal before this Ministry to set up a foundation for providing livelihood to tribals in naxal-affected districts. However, Ministry of Rural Development (Department of Rural Development) has informed that in the budget speech for 2012-13, the Finance Minister had indicated to establish a Bharat Livelihoods Foundation of India through Aajeevika to support and scale up civil society initiatives and interventions particularly in the tribal regions covering around 170 districts. However, such a foundation has not been set up as yet