GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2465 ANSWERED ON:23.08.2013 UNIVERSITIES FOR TRIBAL STUDENTS Tanwar Shri Ashok

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to open dedicated universities to educate `Tribal Students`;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of existing dedicated universities for Tribal Students, if any, State /UT-wise; and

(d) the total budgetary allocation during the last three years towards improving the universities to educate Tribal Students, State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a) : The establishment of Universities is in the purview of the Ministry of Human Resource Development and as per the information received from the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, there is no fresh proposal for establishment of a dedicated University to educate tribal students.

(b) : In view of (a) above, does not arise.

(c) : As per the information given by Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, the Government of India has established one Central University by the name of Indira Gandhi National Tribal University at Amarkantak, Madhya Pradesh, with the objective of providing avenues for higher education and research facilities primarily for the ST students of the country.

(d) : As per the information given by Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, the budget allocation is made Central University- wise and not State/UT-wise. The allocation of funds made to Central Universities including the ST components specifically earmarked for the benefit of ST students, teachers etc during the last three years is given as under:-

Rupees in crore Year Allocation for Central University ST component out of total allocation 2010-11 1885.50 # 2011-12 2100.00 189.50 2012-13 1985.56 149.38

#No separate allocation was made under ST component during 2010-11