

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYMENT TO LOCAL RESIDENTS IN TRIBAL AREAS

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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has made any provision to provide employment to the local residents in tribal areas in industries being run/proposed to be set up to pre-empt their migration for employment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Ministry of Tribal Affairs under its Special Area Programme of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA to TSP) provides funds as an additive to the State Plan to bring about a more rapid economic development of tribals living below the poverty line in the States to cover the employment-cum-income generation activities and the infrastructure incidental thereto of not only family-based, but also those run by the Self-Help Groups (SHGs)/ Community. The ultimate objective of extending SCA to TSP is to boost the demand-based income-generation programmes and thus raise the economic and social status of tribals. The State Governments include activities with the above objective in their proposals against the respective allocations of a particular year. Funds are also provided under the programme for skill development activities to train the tribal beneficiaries to be eligible for self employment and seeking employment in industries. National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC), a Government of India undertaking under Ministry of Tribal Affairs also provides financial assistance to Scheduled tribes for self-employment activities. The assistance is availed by STs for various income generation activities including Small Primary Industrial Unit. Further, Tribal Co - Operative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED) is a National level apex organization under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, is providing skill development and capacity building training to tribal beneficiaries in the field of MFP and Handloom / Handicraft development. Skill development and capacity building training may help them utilize local resources optimally and enhance their livelihood.

(c) In view of (a) and (b) does not arise.