

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4459  
ANSWERED ON:21.02.2014  
BENCH SURVEY OF MAHARASHTRA  
Rajaram Shri Wakchaure Bhausahab

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any request from the State Government of Maharashtra regarding Central assistance for carrying out benchmark survey in the State;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

**Answer**

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

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): A proposal was received from the Government of Maharashtra for 100% assistance of Rs.3674.43 lakhs to carry out benchmark survey during 2012-13. The proposal of the State Government did not conform to the guidelines of the Scheme for providing 100% grant to the Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs). Further, keeping in view the limited budgetary allocations for the scheme, the request of the State Government could not be acceded to.