

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF MODEL VILLAGES
Baske Shri Pulin Bihar

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to chalk out a programme to develop model villages for SC/ST community in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the villages identified for the purpose, State-wise;
- (c) the salient features of the programme and funds allocated for the same during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to include more villages in the programme;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) to (c): Yes Madam. The Department of Science and Technology has been implementing a Coordinated Programme on Resource Management and Development for the Empowerment of Scheduled Castes in different parts of the country through the input of Science and Technology since 2007. The villages covered under this coordinated programme, so far, are Chhamroli, Sinota, Dharamchuk, Bagath, Chakarpur, Matela and Rajpura in Uttarkhand; Majhas and Kalol in Himachal Pradesh ; Tal in Jammu & Kashmir; Kadinamkulam, Kottukal, Veliyathu Nadu, Chittadi, Cherichil, Paruthikkad, Mundur and Puthupariyaram in Kerala; Ilayanainarkulam and Edumalai in Tamil Nadu and Tummalapalli and Miyalavaripalem in Andhra Pradesh. On an average every year around one hundred and fifty lakh rupees are allocated under this programme.

(d) Yes Madam.

(e) The department has already initiated the programme for those villages which are predominately inhabited by Scheduled Caste community in the states of Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan.

(f) Not applicable.