

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Venture Capital Fund
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of new venture capital fund for Scheduled Tribes launched by the Government recently;
- (b) the measures being taken by the Government to ensure the success of the said scheme;
- (c) the other measures/steps being taken by the Government to promote entrepreneurship among STs especially among ST women; and
- (d) whether the Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DICCI) SME Fund has been shut down by the Government and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA)

(a) to (d): No Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Tribes has been launched. However, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has launched a Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Castes through the National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation. DICCI SME Fund is a private fund launched by the Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DICCI) for the benefit of the Dalit Entrepreneurs.
