

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:420
ANSWERED ON:22.12.2014
TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
Singh Shri Abhishek;Usendi Shri Vikram

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the ongoing integrated tribal development projects in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to restructure the said projects for their effective implementation;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the present Status of the said proposal; and
- (d) the details of funds released for these projects during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise and project-wise?

Answer

MINISTER TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (d):A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No 420 (20th Position) for answer on 22.12.2014 asked by Shri Abhishek Singh and Shri Vikram Usendi:

(a)to(d):Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA) / Integrated Tribal Development Project (ITDP), Micro Projects etc. were created in 1970s and 1980s as additional institutions for delivery of public goods and services to Scheduled Tribes. These institutions had weakened over a period of time. The Ministry has issued "Operational Guidelines for Formulation, Implementation and Monitoring of Tribal Sub-Plan and Article 275(1) grants" in the month of March, 2014 for effective implementation of Schemes administered by this Ministry which, inter-alia, lays special emphasis on strengthening of institutions viz. ITDAs / ITDPs, Tribal Research Institutions (TRIs) etc. As a matter of policy, the Ministry has decided to allocate funds upto 20% of grants under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution whenever States/UTs have made a demand in this regard during Current Financial Year 2014- 15 in order to strengthen these institutions with adequate skilled manpower and infrastructure to improve service delivery. A statement of allocation of funds made to the States for the purpose is at Annexure-I Details of State-wise ITDAs/ITDPs is at Annexure-II.