

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WORKS UNDER CAPART

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the status of works being carried by the Council for Advancement of People`s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) in the country including Tamil Nadu, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to modify or monitor the functions of CAPART;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of funds allocated, released by the CAPART to various Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for various projects during the last three years and the current year, State/NGO and year-wise; and
- (e) the number of people benefited through the projects of CAPART especially in rural and backward areas in the country including Shirdi region in Maharashtra during the above period, State/year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BIRENDER SINGH)

- (a) CAPART is undergoing restructuring process and funding has been kept under abeyance since September, 2010 hence, no work has been taken up during the last three years in the country including Tamil Nadu.
- (b)&(c) The Executive Committee of CAPART in its 49th meeting in August, 2009 took a decision for reorganization and restructuring of CAPART. The task of making recommendations for restructuring was entrusted to Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai. TISS has submitted its final report to the Ministry in November, 2014.
- (d) No funds have been allocated/released to the NGOs by CAPART during the last three years and the current year due to restructuring process.
- (e) In view of (d) above, does not arise.