

WHO Projects for Micro-Tribes

1757. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Health Organisation (WHO) propose to implement some health care projects for the micro-tribes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the names of the micro-tribes proposed to be covered by the projects, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Under the WHO Government of India collaborative programme for 1998-99, a project for "Strengthening Primary Health Care for Tribal People" is proposed to be implemented through the Indian Council of Medical Research covering primitive tribals in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, Tripura and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

(c) The following tribal groups are proposed to be covered.

Tripura	—	Regngs
Maharashtra	—	Falam, Madia Gond
Bihar	—	Malpataria, Saurja Paharia, Asur Birhor, Birjia, Korwa, Paharia,
A&N	—	Onges, Great Andamanis, Shompens, Jarwas, Sentinelese
Madhya Pradesh	—	Baiga, Paharia Korba, Birhor.

[*Translation*]

Opening of Post Offices

1758. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI:
SHRI SOHANVEER SINGH:
SHRIMATI BHAVNA DEVRAJBHAI CHIKHALIA:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR CHOUDHARY:
SHRI RAJO SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open post offices in hilly districts specially Chamoli, Tehari and Pauri and Muzaffarnagar in Uttar Pradesh, rural areas of Gujarat, Shekhpura and Gaya districts of Bihar during 1998-99;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI KABINDRA PURKAYASTHA):

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Post offices are opened subject to norm based justification and availability of resources. One Departmental Sub Post Office at Bhagirathipuram in Tehri district of Uttar Pradesh has been opened during 1998-99. There is a target for opening 40 Extra Departmental Branch post offices in the rural areas of Gujarat during 1998-99, subject to availability of resources. There is a target for opening 3 post offices each in Shekhpura and Gaya districts of Bihar, subject to availability of resources during the Annual Plan 1998-99.

[*English*]

Hydel Power Projects

1759. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on the execution of Dul Hasti Hydel Power Project in Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years, year-wise and the progress made in its execution;

(b) whether the National Hydro Power Corporation propose to execute some more hydel power projects in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER, MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The year-wise expenditure incurred on execution of Dulhasti Hydro-electric Project