

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2272**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2021

**TRAINING PROGRAMME TO TRIBAL POPULATION**

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SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:  
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any training programme to help the tribal population in becoming self reliant and entrepreneurs, if so the details thereof;
- (b) whether selection of the interns are done along with the trainings provided to them, if so the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for the programme during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the details of compensation of the price for the products produced by the tribal population given during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the other steps taken to protect the tribes from exploitation and make them self-reliant?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
(SMT. RENUKA SINGH SARUTA)

(a) to (e): Ministry of Tribal Affairs has not launched any specific training programme for Scheduled Tribes. However, the Ministry is implementing Van Dhan Vikas Karyakram with a view to target livelihood generation for tribals by harnessing the wealth of forest i.e. Van Dhan. The programme aims to tap traditional knowledge and skill sets of tribals by adding technology & IT to upgrade it at each stage and to convert the tribal wisdom into a viable economic activity to help them becoming self reliant and entrepreneurs. Under this Karyakram, tribal community owned Minor Forest Produce (MFP) centric multi-purpose Kendras are set-up in tribal dominated districts. The Kendras act as common facility centres for procurement and value addition to locally available Minor Forest Produce. Value addition of raw produce results in enhancing the value of the MFP and consequently the income of the gatherers. Van Dhan Vikas Karyakram is primarily the training and development of value chain. The cumulative status of establishment of VDVKS including the state-wise funds sanctioned for the same is at **Annexure 1**.

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs revised Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Minor Forest Produce (MFP) guidelines on May 1 2020 thereby increased the MSP of 48 MFPs and subsequently 37 new items were included in the list of MFPs thereby making the total number of MFPs under the scheme to 87 to protect the tribes from exploitation and make them self-reliant. Details of items for which MSP has been declared is at **Annexure 2**.

Under the scheme of Institutional Support for marketing of Tribal Products/Produce, TRIFED procures goods produced by tribals and markets the same through its network of retails outlets 'TRIBES INDIA' and other online platforms like GeM, Amazon etc. The year wise procurement made by TRIFED in the last three years under the scheme is given below:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Purchase (in lakhs)</b>
2017-18	1631.69
2018-19	3842.12
2019-20	5094.65

Besides, through the scheme of 'Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA to TSS)' and Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution financial assistance is provided in the form of an additive to State Governments based on their proposal for various tribal development initiatives, including Skill Development / Vocational Training activities to make them self-reliant and entrepreneurs. The selection of the interns is done by the State Governments. The details of the funds allocated for Skill Development/ Vocational Training activities in these programmes during last three years and current year is as tabulated below:

<b>Name of Scheme / Programme</b>	(Rs. in lakh)			
	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21 (as on 03.02.2021)</b>
<b>Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA to TSS)</b>	13921.10	12265.20	6888.65	7113.78
<b>Grants under Article 275(1) of the Constitution</b>	1719.83	5642.46	1571.04	798.17

**Annexure 1 referred in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2272 for 08.03.2021 regarding “Training Programme to Tribal Population”**

**Status of establishment of VDVKs till date (Cumulative since 2018-19)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Number of VDVKs</b>	<b>Amount Sanctioned (In Rs. Lakhs)</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	263	3882.9	78818
2	Assam	128	1940	38530
3	Bihar*	8	81.5	1630
4	Chhattisgarh	139	2085	41700
5	Goa	10	150	3000
6	Gujarat	116	1721.2	34424
7	Ladakh (UT)	10	150	3000
8	Jharkhand	39	569.7	11601
9	Karnataka	19	285	5700
10	Kerala	13	195	3900
11	Madhya Pradesh	86	1290	25800
12	Maharashtra	264	3960	79350
13	Manipur	100	1496.95	30194
14	Mizoram	159	2306.55	46168
15	Nagaland	92	1380	27600
16	Odisha	156	2269.25	45578
17	Rajasthan	27	402.2	8190
18	Sikkim	80	1200	23800
19	Tamil Nadu	7	105	2100
20	Telangana	17	255	5100
21	Tripura	27	370.85	7429
22	Uttar Pradesh	5	59.55	1238
23	Uttarakhand	5	74.95	1505
<b>Total</b>		<b>1770</b>	<b>26230.6</b>	<b>526355</b>

Annexure 2 referred in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.2272 for 08.03.2021 regarding "Training Programme to Tribal Population"  
Details of items for which MSP has been declared

S. No.	Name of MFPs	MSP (Rs./Kg)	Category- F:Forest, A:Agriculture, S:Spice	Applicability
1	Tamarind (with seeds) (Tamarindus indica)	36	F	All India
2	Wild Honey	225	F	All India
3	Gum Karaya (Sterculia urenus)	114	F	All India
4	Karanj seed (Pongamia pinnata)	22	F	All India
5	Sal seed (Shorearobusta)	20	F	All India
6	Mahua seed (Madhuca longifolia)	29	F	All India
7	Sal leaves (Shorearobusta)	35	F	All India
8	Chironji pods with seeds (Buchananialanzan)	126	F	All India
9	Myrobalan (Terminalia chebula)	<u>15</u>	F	All India
10-A	Rangeeni Lac	200	F	All India
10-B	Kusumi Lac	275	F	All India
11	Kusum seeds (Schleicheraoleosa)	23	F	All India
12	Neem seeds (Azadirachta indica)	27	F	All India
13	Puwad seeds (Cassia tora)	16	F	All India
14	Baheda (Terminalia bellirica)	<u>17</u>	F	All India
15	Hill Broom Grass (Thysanolaena maxima)	50	F	All India
16	Dry Shikakai Pods (Acacia concinna)	50	F	All India
17	Bael pulp (Dried) (Aegle marmelos)	30	F	All India
18	Nagarmotha (Cyperus rotundas)	30	F	All India
19	Shatavari Roots (Dried) (Asparagus racemosus)	107	F	All India
20	Gudmar / Madhunashini (Gymnemasylvestre)	41	F	All India
21	Kalmegh (Andrographis paniculata)	35	F	All India
22	Tamarind (De-seeded) (Tamarindus indica)	63	F	All India
23	Guggul (exudates)	812	F	All India

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24	Mahua Flowers (dried) (Madhuca longifolia)	30	F	All India
25	Tejpatta (dried) (Cinnamomum tamala and Cinnamomum sp.)	40	F	All India
26	Jamun dried seeds (Syzygiumcumini)	42	F	All India
27	Dried Amla pulp (deseeded) (Phyllanthus emblica)	52	F	All India
28	Marking Nut (Semecarpus anacardium)	9	F	All India
29	Soap Nut (dried) (Sapindusemarginatus)	14	F	All India
30	Bhava seed/ (Amaltas) (Cassia fistula)	13	F	All India
31	Arjuna Bark (Terminalia arjuna)	21	F	All India
32	Kokum (Dry) (Garcinia indica)	29	F	All India
33	Giloe (Tinospora cordifolia)	40	F	All India
34	Kaunch seed (Mucuna pruriens)	21	F	All India
35	Chirata (Swertia chirayita)	34	F	All India
36	Vaybidding / Vavding (Embeliaribes )	94	F	All India
37	Dhavaiphool dried flowers (Woodfordiaflobunda)	37	F	All India
38	Nux Vomica (Strychnosnux vomica)	42	F	All India
39	Ban Tulsi Leaves (dried) (Ocimumtenuiflorum)	22	F	All India
40	Kshirni (Hemidesmus indicus)	35	F	All India
41	Bakul (dried bark) (Mimusopselengii)	46	F	All India
42	Kutaj (dried bark) (Holarrhenapubescens/ H.aniidysenterical)	31	F	All India
43	Noni/Aal (dried fruits) (Morindacitrifolia )	17	F	All India
44	Sonapatha/ Syonak pods (Oroxylumindicum )	21	F	All India
45	Chanothi seeds (Abrusprecatorius)	45	F	All India
46	Kalihari (dried tubers) (Gloriosa superba)	31	F	All India

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47	Makoi (dried fruits) (Solanum nigrum)	34	F	All India
48	Apang plant (Achyranthes aspera)	28	F	All India
49	Sugandhmantri roots/ tubers (Homalomenaaromatica)	38	F	All India
50	Van Tulsi seeds	16	F	All India
51	Van Jeera	70	F	All India
52	Tamarind Seed	11	F	All India
53	Bamboo Brooms	60	F	All India
54	Dry Anola	60	F	All India
55	KachriBaheda	20	P	All India
56	KachriHarra	23	P	All India
57	Seed lac	677	FP	All India
58	Beetal nut raw	30	AP	<b>N.E. States</b>
59	Beetal nut Dry	200	A P	<b>N.E. States</b>
60	Mushroom (Dry)	300	A P	<b>N.E. States</b>
61	Black Rice	100	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
62	Johar Rice	50	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
63	King Chilli	300	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
64	Mustard	40	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
65	Raw Cashew	450	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
66	Cashew Nut	800	A P	<b>N.E. States</b>
67	Ginger dry	50	A P	<b>N.E. States</b>
68	Perilla	140	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
69	Rosella	200	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
70	Nutgall	150	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
71	Zanthoxylum Dried	200	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
72	Jack Fruit Seed	45	A	<b>N.E. States</b>
73	Tasar Cocoon ( <i>Chrysalis</i> )	Rs.3200/thousand number	F/H	Jharkhand State
	Reeling Class Grade- I (Specification - When Avg. Shell Weight 1.55 gram & above )			
	Un-Reeling Grade -I (Specification- When Avg. Shell Weight 1.40 gram & above)			
74	Cashew Kernel ( <i>Anacardium occidentale</i> )	90	F/P	All India
75	Elephant Apple dry ( <i>Dillenia indica</i> )	120	F/H	North Eastern States
76	Bamboo shoot ( <i>Phyllostachys edulis</i> )	70	F	North Eastern States

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77	Malkangni Seed ( <i>Celastrus paniculatus</i> wild)	100	F	All India
78	Mahul Leaves ( <i>Bauhinia vahlii</i> )	15	F	Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal
79	Nagod ( <i>Vitex negundo</i> )	20	F	All India
80	Gokhru ( <i>Tribulus terrestris</i> )	60	F	All India
81	Pipla/ Uchithi (dried berry) ( <i>Piper pedicellatum</i> )	120	F	All India
82	Gamhar/ Gamari , (dry bark) ( <i>Gmelina arborea</i> )	20	F	North Eastern States
83	Oroxylum indicum , (dry bark) ( <i>Oroxylum indicum</i> )	40	F	North Eastern States
84	Wild Mushroom dry ( <i>Agaricus</i> sp)	400	F	North Eastern States
85	Shringraj ( <i>Eclipta Alba</i> )	18	F /M	All India
86	Tree Moss ( <i>Bryophytes</i> )	350	F/P	Karnataka State

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