

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON**

IMPROVEMENT IN QUALITY OF LIFE OF TRIBALS .

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the steps Government has taken to improve the quality of life of tribal people;
- (b) whether Government is aware that the implementation of land reforms is a panacea for improvement of life of tribal people; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken in this direction?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

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(a) to (c): Various schemes of Government of India aim to bring about improvement in the living conditions of the Scheduled Tribes of India, including their quality of life. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is also implementing a number of schemes for the integrated socio-economic development of the Scheduled Tribes. The names of the schemes are at Annexure. Measures and programmes for ensuring titles to land, prevention of illegal alienation etc. are essential components of tribal welfare. These issues are addressed primarily by the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.

Annexure

Schemes of Ministry of Tribal Affairs

S.No. Name of the Schemes

A Special Area Programs (SAP)

1. SCA to Tribal Sub-Plan
2. Grants under Proviso to Article 275(1)

B Central Sector Schemes (CS)

3. Grants-in-Aid to NGOs for STs including Coaching & Allied Scheme anAward for Exemplary Service
 4. Vocational Training Centres in Tribal Areas
 5. Educational Complex in Low Literacy pockets for development of women
 6. Support to TRIFED
 7. State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations for Minor Forest Produce
 8. Development of Primitive Tribal Groups
 9. Support to National/State Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporations
 10. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST Students
 11. Scheme of Institute of Excellence/Top Class Institute
 12. National Overseas Scholarship Scheme
- C. Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS)
13. Scheme of PMS, Book Bank and Upgradation of Merit of ST students
 14. Scheme of Hostels for ST Girls and Boys
 15. Establishment of Ashram Schools
 16. Research & Mass Education, Tribal Festivals and Others