

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
(MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS)
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1249
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2018

EDUCATION AND NUTRITIOUS FOOD FOR TRIBAL CHILDREN

1249. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to introduce any new schemes to provide higher education and nutritious food to the children of tribal communities;
- (b) whether Government proposes to take any steps to provide education and employment to the children and youth of such communities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JASWANTSINH BHABHOR)

(a) to (c): The Government in Budget 2018-19 has announced that in order to provide best quality education to the tribal children in their own environment by the year 2022, every block with more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons, will have an Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS). Accordingly, Ministry of Tribal Affairs has taken necessary steps for establishment of EMRSs as per this announcement. The objective of EMRS is to provide quality middle and high school level education to Scheduled Tribe (ST) students in remote areas. Under the scheme fund is released to State Governments for enhancing the education system and infrastructure by providing hostels, coaching etc. Besides, Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy for income generation among tribal youth through skill development and various training programmes. Funds are also released towards skill development / other income generating schemes for (i) Planning and Management including office management (ii) Solar Technician / Electrician (iii) Beautician (iv) Textiles, sericulture, embroidery, handicraft and handloom development (v) Skills required for day to day construction works (such as Plumbing, Mason, Electrician, Fitter, Welder, Carpenter) (vi) Refrigeration and A/C Repairing (vii) Mobile Repairing (viii) Nutrition (ix) Ayurvedic & tribal medicines (x) IT (xi) Data Entry (xii) Fabrication (xiii) Paramedics and Home Nurse Training (xiv) Automobile Driving and Mechanics (xv) Electric and Motor Winding (xvi) Security Guard (xvii) House Keeping and Management (xviii) Retail Management (xix) Hospitality (xx) Eco-tourism and (xxi) Adventure Tourism.
