

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.676
ANSWERED ON 08.02.2023**

Establishment of National Tribal University in Mayurbhanj

676 Smt. Mamata Mohanta:

Will the Minister of ***Education*** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any proposal or planning to establish a National Tribal University in Rairangpur of the tribal dominated district of Mayurbhanj in Odisha;
- (b) Whether Government is aware of the fact that a large number of tribal students in the adjacent districts of Mayurbhanj as well as from the adjacent States like Jharkhand, West Bengal and Bihar will highly benefit in getting education as well as doing research work in tribal culture by establishing such a Tribal University;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and steps taken by Government; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) to (d): Setting up of a Central University is a continuous process and is setup as and when need arises. There is no proposal to establish a Central Tribal University in Rairangpur. There are two Central Tribal Universities in the country namely Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU), Amarkantak, Madhya Pradesh and Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP), Vizianagram, Andhra Pradesh. Moreover, there is a Central University in Koraput, Odisha which caters to the need of tribal students as well.
