GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1580

TO BE ANSWERED ON- 02/08/2023

PRADHAN MANTRI PVTGs DEVELOPMENT MISSION

1580 SMT. RANJEET RANJAN: SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL: SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM: SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) budgetary expenditure made under the 'Pradhan Mantri Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) Development Mission' over the past three years;
- (b) details of results curated about the condition of PVTGs (Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups) communities through field visits which were reported till the month of March 2023; and
- (c) the plan to accommodate the findings of the field visits in the Development Mission envisioned for PVTGs?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

- (a): As announcement of Pradhan Mantri PVTG Development Mission has been made in Budget 2023-24, no expenditure under the mission has been incurred during last three years. However, this Ministry is implementing the scheme for Development of PVTG and the fund released to various states/UT for implementation of the scheme during the last 3 years is Rs. 437.18 cr.
- (b): Field visits have been carried out by Officers of Ministry of Tribal Affairs and its attached office to the PVTG areas and as per the report submitted by the Officers it has been observed that PVTG habitations need focused approach for improvement in Infrastructure facilities including road and internet connectivity etc. There is also need for strengthening health and Education facilities to improve school drop out rate and livelihood opportunities.
- (c): Since, the mission is aimed to improve socio-economic conditions of the particularly vulnerable tribal groups (PVTGs) by saturating PVTG families and habitations with basic facilities such as safe housing, clean drinking water and sanitation, improved access to education, health and nutrition, road and telecom connectivity, and sustainable livelihood opportunities, the findings of the field visits are suitably addressed and accommodated in the objective of the Mission.
