

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- # 2053
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 05/08/2026

INCOME OF TRIBAL PRODUCERS IN TRIPURA

2053 # SHRI RAJIB BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the special initiative taken by TRIFED to enhance the income of tribal producers and improve their market access in Tripura;
- (b) the number of Van Dhan Vikas Kendras operating in the State, tribal families benefited, and the current status of value addition;
- (c) whether Tripura's minor forest produce items have been included or covered under the Minimum Support Price (MSP) mechanism; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government to link tribal self-help groups and forest-based enterprises with national and international markets?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a): TRIFED has been implementing the “Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission” (PMJVM) Scheme of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs which includes activities such as Retail Marketing, MSP for MFP, Infrastructure Development, Van Dhan Vikas Kendra (VDVK) activities, and Research & Development. TRIFED generates livelihood opportunities for tribal communities through identification and empanelment of tribal artisans/suppliers and marketing of tribal products – including handicraft, handloom, natural and food products – through a retail network of 115 Tribes India outlets, exhibitions and e-Commerce platforms across the country, including in Tripura. TRIFED has empanelled 470 tribal artisans/suppliers associated with 2,957 families in Tripura, besides organising Tribal Artisan Empanelment Melas (TAeMs) and participating in exhibitions such as Aadi Bazaar and Aadi Mahotsav for market linkage.

(b): In the State of Tripura, TRIFED has sanctioned 87 VDVks (PM-JANMAN: 30 and PMJVM: 57) associating 18,666 beneficiaries (PM-JANMAN: 2,550 and PMJVM: 16,116). Of these, 80 VDVks (PM-JANMAN: 30 and PMJVM: 50) are operational and have sold value-added products worth Rs. 113.85 lakh.

(c): Yes. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has notified Minimum Support Price (MSP) rates for 87 Minor Forest Produce (MFP)/commodities, applicable to all States/UTs, including Tripura. The list of 87 notified MFPs is enclosed as **Annexure-I**.

(d): 80 VDVks are operational in Tripura, and the Self-Help Groups (SHGs) associated with these VDVks have sold value-added products worth Rs. 113.85 lakh through local markets, fairs and exhibitions thereby linking tribal SHGs and forest-based enterprises with wider markets.

Annexure I

**Annexure-I as referred to in reply to part (c) of RSUQ No. 2053 for answer on 05.08.2026
regarding Income of tribal producers in Tripura**

LIST OF NOTIFIED MINOR FOREST PRODUCE (MFP) UNDER PMJVM SCHEME				
S. No.	Name of MFPs	MSP Notified by GoI (in Rs. Per Kg.)	Category F:Forest A:Agriculture P:Processed M:Medicinal H:Horticulture	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 (Shorea robusta)	20	F	All India
6	Mahua seed (Madhuca longifolia)	29	F	All India
7	Sal leaves (Shorea robusta)	35	F	All India
8	Chironji pods with seeds (Buchanania lanzan)	126	F	All India
9	Myrobalan (Terminalia chebula)	15	F	All India
10	Rangeeni Lac	200	F	All India
11	Kusumi Lac	275	F	All India
12	Kusum seeds (Schleichera oleosa)	23	F	All India

13	Neem seeds (Azadirachta indica)	27	F	All India
14	Puwad seeds (Cassia tora)	16	F	All India
15	Baheda (Terminalia bellirica)	17	F	All India
16	Hill Broom Grass (Thysanolaena maxima)	50	F	All India
17	Dry Shikakai Pods (Acacia concinna)	50	F	All India
18	Bael pulp (Dried) (Aegle marmelos)	30	F	All India
19	Nagarmotha (Cyperus rotundas)	30	F	All India
20	Shatavari Roots (Dried) (Asparagus racemosus)	107	F	All India
21	Gudmar / Madhunashini (Gymnema sylvestre)	41	F	All India
22	Kalmegh (Andrographis paniculata)	35	F	All India
23	Tamarind (De-seeded) (Tamarindus indica)	63	F	All India
24	Guggul (exudates)	812	F	All India
25	Mahua Flowers (dried) (Madhuca longifolia)	30	F	All India
26	Tejpatta (dried) (Cinnamomum tamala and Cinnamomum sp.)	40	F	All India
27	Jamun dried seeds (Syzygium cumini)	42	F	All India
28	Dried Amla pulp (deseeded) (Phyllanthus emblica)	52	F	All India
29	Marking Nut (Semecarpus anacardium)	9	F	All India
30	Soap Nut (dried) (Sapindus emarginatus)	14	F	All India

31	Bhava seed/ (Amaltas) (Cassia fistula)	13	F	All India
32	Arjuna Bark (Terminalia arjuna)	21	F	All India
33	Kokum (Dry) (Garcinia indica)	29	F	All India
34	Giloe (Tinospora cordifolia)	40	F	All India
35	Kaunch seed (Mucuna pruriens)	21	F	All India
36	Chirata (Swertia chirayita)	34	F	All India
37	Vaybidding / Vavding (Embelia ribes)	94	F	All India
38	Dhavai phool dried flowers (Woodfordia flobunda)	37	F	All India
39	Nux Vomica (Strychnos nux vomica)	42	F	All India
40	Ban Tulsi Leaves (dried) (Ocimum tenuiflorum)	22	F	All India
41	Kshirni (Hemidesmus indicus)	35	F	All India
42	Bakul (dried bark) (Mimusops elengii)	46	F	All India
43	Kutaj (dried bark) (Holarrhena pubescens/ H.aniidysenterical)	31	F	All India
44	Noni/Aal (dried fruits) (Morinda citrifolia)	17	F	All India
45	Sonapatha/ Syonak pods (Oroxylum indicum)	21	F	All India
46	Chanothi seeds (Abrus precatorius)	45	F	All India
47	Kalihari (dried tubers) (Gloriosa superba)	31	F	All India
48	Makoi (dried fruits) (Solanum nigrum)	34	F	All India

49	Apang plant (Achyranthes aspera)	28	F	All India
50	Sugandhmantri roots/ tubers (Homalomena aromatica)	38	F	All India
51	Van Tulsi seeds	16	F	All India
52	Van Jeera	70	F	All India
53	Tamarind Seed	11	F	All India
54	Bamboo Brooms	60	F	All India
55	Dry Anola	60	F	All India
56	Kachri Baheda	20	P	All India
57	Kachri Harra	23	P	All India
58	Seed lac	677	FP	All India
59	Beetal nut raw	30	AP	N.E.States
60	Beetal nut Dry	200	A P	N.E.States
61	Mushroom (Dry)	300	A P	N.E.States
62	Black Rice	100	A	N.E.States
63	Johar Rice	50	A	N.E.States
64	King Chilli	300	A	N.E.States
65	Mustard	40	A	N.E.States
66	Raw Cashew	450	A	N.E.States
67	Cashew Nut	800	A P	N.E.States
68	Ginger dry	50	A P	N.E.States
69	Perilla	140	A	N.E.States
70	Rosella	200	A	N.E.States
71	Nutgall	150	A	N.E.States
72	Zanthoxylum Dried	200	A	N.E.States
73	Jack Fruit Seed	45	A	N.E.States
74	Tasar Cocoon (Chrysalis)		F/H	Jharkhand State
	Reeling Class Grade– I (Specification - When Avg. Shell Weight 1.55 gram & above)	Rs.3200/thousand number		
	Un-Reeling Grade -I (Specification- When Avg. Shell Weight 1.40 gram & above)	Rs.1500/thousand number		

75	Cashew Kernel (Anacardium occidentale)	90	F/P	All India
76	Elephant Apple dry (Dillenia indica)	120	F/H	North Eastern States
77	Bamboo shoot (Phyllostachys edulis)	70	F	North Eastern States
78	Malkangni Seed (Celastrus paniculatus wild)	100	F	All India
79	Mahul Leaves (Bauhinia vahlii)	15	F	Odisha, Chhattisgarh Madhya Pradesh West Bengal
80	Nagod (Vitex negundo)	20	F	All India
81	Gokhru (Tribulus terrestris)	60	F	All India
82	Pipla/ Uchithi (dried berry) (Piper pedicellatum)	120	F	All India
83	Gamhar/ Gamari , (dry bark) (Gmelina arborea)	20	F	North Eastern States
84	Oroxylum indicum , (dry bark) (Oroxylum indicum)	40	F	North Eastern States
85	Wild Mushroom dry (Agaricus sp)	400	F	North Eastern States
86	Shringraj (Eclipta Alba)	18	F /M	All India
87	Tree Moss (Bryophytes)	350	F/P	Karnataka State
