

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 461
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22/07/2026

SETUP OF TRIBAL-FOCUSED MUSEUMS

461 SHRI NATHWANI PARIMAL:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) that apart from the existing museum at Tribal Research Institute and the Bhagwan Birsa Munda Tribal Freedom Fighter Museum, whether the Central Government is planning to set up one or more tribal-focused museum in the State of Jharkhand either on its own or in association with State Government, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) what other steps the Central Government is taking for institutional preservation of the rich tribal art, culture, handicrafts, and history of Jharkhand; and
- (c) funds allocated and disbursed by Centre over last three years, year-wise for preservation of Jharkhand's tribal art, craft and culture?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATES FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a): As on date, no such proposal for setting up of tribal-focused museum in the State of Jharkhand is under consideration by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

(b): The Ministry has launched the scheme “Support to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)” in order to extend financial assistance to State Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) including Jharkhand. The “Support to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)” is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme fully funded (100%) by the Central Government which came into effect on & from 14.12.2017 and is administered by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The scheme is dedicated to strengthen Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) in their infrastructural needs including the development of Tribal Museums / Tribal Freedom Fighters Museums (TFFMs), research & documentation activities and training & capacity building programmes, organization of tribal festivals /yatras for promotion & preservation of unique cultural heritage and for promoting tourism and organisation of exchange visits by tribes etc, so that the tribal culture practices, languages and rituals are preserved and disseminated.

Under the scheme “Support to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)”, the Ministry provides financial support to 29 Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) in States/Union Territories (UTs) including the TRI, Jharkhand on the basis of the Annual Action Plan submitted by the States/UTs subject to the approval of the Apex Committee chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The scheme “Support to TRIs” is a demand driven scheme where TRIs of various States/UTs submit their projects/proposals to the Ministry as per their need basis. TRIs are primary institutions falling under the administrative control of the State Government/UT Administration.

(c): Details of funds allocated and disbursed to Jharkhand Tribal Research Institute by the Ministry over last three years are as under:

Sl No.	Year	Funds allocated (₹ in lakh)	Funds released (₹ in lakh)
1	2023- 24	417.03	417.03
2	2024- 25	200.00	200.00
3	2025- 26	200.00	200.00
