GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS) LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3166 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2018

NATIONAL TRIBAL CARNIVAL

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any steps have been taken to preserve, protect and promote ethnic culture of the tribals and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of various Centrally Sponsored Schemes under implementation for the purpose in the State of Odisha;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to organize National Tribal Carnival in the near future in Odisha;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives of organizing such carnivals; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for showcasing and promotion of various facets of tribal culture on a large scale in Odisha?

ANSWER

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

Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides funds to the State Governments for the activities relating (a) & (b): to preservation, protection and promotion of tribal cultural heritage based on their demand. Government has set up Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) in States including Odisha State to work as a body of knowledge & research more or less as a think tank for tribal development and to work towards preservation and dissemination of distinctiveness / uniqueness of tribal culture and their traditional knowledge. Presently, TRIs are functioning in 24 States and 1 UT as detailed at **Annexure**. Funds are provided to TRIs under the Scheme 'Support to TRI' for various activities including construction of museum, library, language primers, research works, seminar/workshop, publication of books, development of documentaries, organisation of tribal festivals etc. Funds are also provided to private institutions for carrying out research work on various tribal issue under the Scheme 'Tribal Festival, Research Information and Mass Education'. National level tribal festival / carnival is organized annually by the Ministry to showcase glimpses of rich cultural heritage of tribal people across the country through unique forms of folk dances, songs, cuisine, exhibition and demonstration of traditional skill in painting, art and craft, medicinal practices etc. During last three years, this Ministry has organized a National Tribal Festival in Delhi at different locations to showcase and promote various facets of tribal life as detailed below:

Year	Theme	Period	Places
2015	National Tribal Festival - Vanaj	13th to 18th February, 2015	Indira Gandhi Art and Cultural Centre, New Delhi
2016	National Tribal Carnival - 2016	25th – 28th October, 2016	Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium and Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
2017	Aadi Mahotasav	16-30 November, 2017	Dilli Haat, INA, New Delhi, Central Park, etc.

Details of funds sanctioned and released under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Support to TRI' for the State of Odisha during 2017-18 is given as under:

Scheme	Amount (Rs. in lakh)				
	2017-18		2018-19		
	Sanctioned	Released	Sanctioned	Released*	
Support to TRI	684.90	662.90	914.86	285.90	

^{*} Figures upto 31.07.2018

- (c) & (d): Venue and dates for National Tribal Festival for 2018 are presently under consideration of the Ministry and a decision will be taken soon.
- (e): Government of Odisha has informed that since the 1950s the State Government has been organizing an Annual State Level Tribal Fair at Bhubaneshwar out of its own resources for showcasing and promotion of various facets of tribal culture on a large scale in Odisha. For the last few years the footfall in this Annual Tribal Fair has been over fifteen lakhs. State Government has established Special Development Councils in 09 tribal dominated Districts which focusses on preservation, protection and promotion of ethnic culture of the tribals of the State. The entire funding for the special development councils is borne by the State Government. TRI Odisha is maintaining a tribal museum named 'Museum of Tribal Art and Artefacts' showcasing different aspects of ethnic culture of the tribals of the State.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3166 for answer on 06.08.2018.

S. No	State	Place and year of Establishment
1	Odisha	Bhubaneswar, 1952
2	Jharkhand (Undivided Bihar)	Ranchi, 1953
3	Madhya Pradesh	Chhindwara (now functioning at Bhopal), 1954
4	West Bengal	Kolkata, 1955
5	Maharashtra	Pune, 1962
6	Gujarat	Ahmadabad, 1962
7	Assam	Guwahati, 1962
8	Telangana	Hyderabad, 1963
9	Rajasthan	Udaipur, 1964
10	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow, 1971
11	Kerala	Kozhikode, 1971
12	Tamilnadu	Ooty, 1983
13	Manipur	Imphal, 1988
14	Tripura	Agartala, 1993
15	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla, 1994
16	Chhattisgarh	Raipur, 2004
17	Karnataka	Mysore, 2005
18	Andaman & Nicobar Island	Port Blair, 2014
19	Andhra Pradesh	Vishakhapatnam, 2014
20	Uttrakhand	Dehradun, 2014
21	Sikkim	Gangtok, 2016
22	Jammu & Kashmir	Srinagar, 2016
23	Nagaland	Kohima, 2017
24	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar, 2017
25	Mizoram	Aizwal, 2018