

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 602**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 06/02/2023

**TRIBAL SUB PLAN (TSP)**

602. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) have achieved the desired results in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of financial and other assistance given under 'Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-scheme' to the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, district-wise; and
- (d) the details of targets set and achieved during the last three years, year-wise?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
(SMT. RENUKA SINGH SARUTA)

**(a) to (b):** Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) now known as Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST) came into existence in 1974-75 as a strategy for the development of Scheduled Tribes and areas having tribal concentration. Besides Ministry of Tribal Affairs, 41 Ministries/Departments are allocating certain percentage of their total scheme budget every year for tribal development under DAPST for various tribal development projects relating to education, health, agriculture, irrigation, roads, housing, electrification, employment generation, skill development, etc. State Governments are also supposed to earmark TSP funds in proportion to ST population (Census 2011) in the State with respect to total State Plan.

Though there have been challenges in achieving the desired pace of development for tribal people and their habitations on account of remoteness of habitations, dispersed population, difficult geographical conditions and lack of employment opportunities in their areas. Considerable improvements have been registered in socio-economic indicators with respect to the Scheduled Tribes (STs) in the country, for example, literacy rate for STs has improved from 59% (Census) in 2011 to 71.6% (as per Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) report (July 2020 - June 2021). Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) at upper Primary level has improved from 91.3 (2013-14) to 98.0 (2021-22); GER for ST students at secondary level (IX-X) has increased from 70.2 (2013-14) to 78.1 (2021-22); GER for ST students at senior secondary level (XI-XII) has increased from 35.4 (2013-14) to 52.0 (2021-22) and GER for ST students at higher education level has increased from 13.7 (2014-15) to 18.9 (2020-21). As per National Family Health Survey (NFHS) conducted by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, in respect of Scheduled Tribes, Infant Mortality Rate has declined from 44.4 (2015-16) to 41.6 (2019-21); Under Five Mortality Rate has declined from 57.2 (2015-16) to 50.3 (2019-21), and Institutional Delivery

has increased from 68% (2015-16) to 82.3% (2019-21). Further, full immunization of children aged 12-23 months has increased from 55.8 % (2015-16) to 76.8 % (2019-21). As per the estimates of the earlier Planning Commission, percentage of ST people living below the poverty line in rural areas has declined from 62.3% in 2004-05 to 45.3% in 2011-12.

**(c) to (d):** The scheme of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA to TSS) was being implemented till the year 2020-21 wherein 100% grants were provided to the State Governments with notified STs including Andhra Pradesh inter-alia for activities related to education, health, sanitation, water supply, livelihood, skill development, minor infrastructure etc. for the development of Scheduled Tribes (ST). Ministry of Tribal Affairs has revamped the existing Scheme of 'Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme (SCA to TSS) as 'Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAAGY),' for implementation during 2021-22 to 2025-26, which aims at transforming villages with significant tribal population into model village (Adarsh Gram). The details of the funds released to the State of Andhra Pradesh during last three years under the scheme of 'SCA to TSS' / 'PMAAGY' are as under:

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Fund Released (Rs. in lakh) #</b>	<b>Utilization reported (Rs. in lakh)</b>
SCA to TSS	2019-20	12470.50	3742.59
	2020-21	4954.96	0.00
PMAAGY	2021-22*	0.00	-

# Funds are not provided district -wise by the Ministry.

\* Funds could not be released due to pending Utilization Certificates (UCs) for previous years' releases.

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