

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 2914
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 07/08/2023

PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TRIBAL GROUP (PVTG)

2914. SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B.:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to conduct a survey that can gauge the Human Development Index (HDI) specifically for about 28 lakh people of the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG) living in over 22000 villages across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof

(c) whether the survey is part of the Government's development mission to connect remote tribal groups to Government services; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a) to (d): Ministry has inter-alia taken up the matter with State Governments / UT Administration for collection of data on infrastructural gaps and requirements vis-à-vis PVTG villages & households. The data collection pertains to parameters such as housing, electricity, road connectivity, telecom connectivity, drinking water supply, health facilities, schools, Anganwadi centres etc . This exercise is in the context of announcement of Pradhan Mantri PVTG Development Mission made in Budget 2023-24. The Ministry with the help of BISAG-N team has developed Mobile Application which will help in capturing exact location of facility to be provided and a dedicated team is coordinating with line ministries and State Government in compilation of data base.

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 quality of health (life expectancy), level of knowledge (education rates), and the standard of living (Gross National Income) are key indicators for human development and mission aims to improve infrastructure in these areas with funds of Rs.15,000 crore from the "Development Action Plan for the Scheduled Tribes" in the next three years.
