MONITORING OF TRIBAL SCHOOLS

1287. SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any monitoring mechanism of tribal welfare schools in the country including their maintenance, food, sanitation, etc. therein;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the reports prepared under such mechanism during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
(c) the follow-up action taken by the Government on such reports during the said period?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
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(a) to (c) Projects related to tribal welfare schools being funded under the schemes of (i) Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), (ii) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Scheme and (iii) Aid to Voluntary Organizations are monitored through the following mechanism:

(i) Meetings/Conferences are convened at the Central level with State officials for ensuring timely submission of proposals, speeding up of implementation of the schemes/programmes, and reviewing the physical and financial progress.
(ii) Funds under the schemes of MoTA are released through Public Financial Management System (PFMS) for transparency.
(iii) Utilization Certificates (UCs) and physical progress reports regarding the status of implementation of schemes are obtained.
(iv) Mandatory annual inspection by District Authorities and Scrutiny of proposals by multidisciplinary State Level Committees for voluntary efforts every year.
(v) Officers while visiting States/UTs also ascertain the progress of implementation of various schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

With regard to the scheme of Aid to Voluntary Organizations, the accounts of grantee institutions are opened for inspection by representatives/officers from the office of Comptroller and Auditor General of India, or concerned State Govt. at any time. For effective monitoring of the scheme of EMRS through e-governance, steps have been taken to leverage on the information collected electronically by the Ministry of Human Resource Development through their Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE).

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