

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1352**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020

DECLINE IN THE POPULATION OF TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

**1352. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA:**

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of such tribal communities in the country that are facing continuous decline in their population;
- (b) the number of such-tribal communities having population of less than 2000; and
- (c) the efforts being made to preserve the existence of such communities and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS**  
**(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)**

(a): There are certain tribal communities who have declining or stagnant population, low level of literacy, pre-agricultural level of technology and are economically backward. These groups are among the most vulnerable section of our society as they are few in numbers, have not attained any significant level of social and economic development and generally inhabit remote localities having poor infrastructure and administrative support. 75 such groups in 17 States and 1 Union Territory have been identified and categorized as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups.

(b): As per Census 2011, the State/UT wise Scheduled Tribes whose population is less than 2000 is given at **Annexure**.

(c): For the protection and safety of tribal communities in the entire country Government of India has legislated various Acts, like Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 (22 of 1955) and the Scheduled Castes and the Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (33 of 1989).

Further, besides other schemes being implemented by this Ministry for the development of STs, this Ministry is exclusively implementing a Central Sector Scheme namely "Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups" for overall development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs). Under the Scheme, State Governments submits Conservation-cum-Development (CCD) Plans on the basis of their requirement. The scheme is extremely flexible because it enables every State to focus on areas that they consider to be relevant to their PVTGs and their Socio-cultural environment including their identity and culture. 100% grants-in-aid are made available to States as per the provisions of the scheme.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1352 for 10.02.2020 regarding 'Decline in the Population of Tribal Communities'

**State/UT wise Scheduled Tribes (STs) whose population is less than 2000**

State/UTs	Scheduled Tribes
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	Andamanese, Chariar, Chari, Kora, Tabo, Bo, Yere, Kede, Bea, Balawa, Bojigiyab, Juwai, Kol
	Jarawas
	Onges
	Sentinelese
	Shom Pens
ANDHRA PRADESH	Bhil
	Hill Reddis
	Kattunayakan
	Kulia
	ReddiDhoras
	Rona, Rena
	Dhulia, Paiko, Putiya (in the districts of Vishakhapatnam and Vijayanagaram)
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	Abor
	Khowa, Bugun
	Hrusso
	Khamba
	Adibori
	Ashing
	Bagi
	Bangni
	Bogum
	Bomdo
	But Monpa
	DarokTangsa
	Degar/Taraon Mishmi
	HaisaTangsa
	HaviTangsa
	Hill Miri
	HotangTangsa
	Karka
	KemsingTangsa
	Khamiyang
Komkar	

	KorangTangsa
	LangkaiTangsa
	Libo
	LichiTangsa
	LijuNocte
	LonginTangsa
	LongphiTangsa
	LongriTangsa
	LongsangTangsa
	LowangTangsa
	Meyor
	Mikir
	Mishmi
	MorangTangsa
	Muktum
	NamsangTangsa
	NgimongTangsa
	Laju
	Nonong
	Dalbing
	Pailibo
	Panchen monpa
	Pangi
	Pasi
	Phongtangsa
	Ponthainocte
	Ramo
	Adiramo
	Rangaitangsa
	Rongrangtangsa
	Sanketangsa
	Siram
	SulungBangni
	TaginBangni
	TaisenTangsa
	Tangam
	Jugli
	Taram
	Thai Khampi
	Tutchanocte
	YongkukTangsa
	YougliTangsa
ASSAM (In the autonomous district)	Hajong
	Lakher

	Man (Tai speaking)
	Any Mizo (Lushai) tribes
	Pawi
	Syntheng
ASSAM (In the State of assam excluding the autonomous district)	Hojai
	Khampti
BIHAR	Baiga
	Bathudi
	Bedia
	Binjhia
	Birhor
	Birjia
	Gorait
	Ho
	Karmali
	Khond
	Korwa
	Parhaiya
	SauriaPaharia
	Savar
Kawar	
CHHATTISGARH	Andh
	Bhil, Bhilala, Barela, Patelia
	Bhil Mina
	Damor, Damaria
	Karku
	Kolam
	Korku, Bopchi, Mouasi, Nihal, Nahul, Bondhi, Bondeya
	Mawasi
	Parja
	Sahariya, Saharia, Seharla, Sehria, Sosia, Sor
	Saur
Sonr	
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI#	Kathodi
	Naikda or Nayaka
DAMAN & DIU#	Naikda (Talavia)
	Siddi (Nayaka)
	Varli
GOA	Dhodia
	Dubla (Halpati)
	Naikda (Talavia)
	Siddi (Nayaka)

	Varli
GUJARAT	Barda
	Bharwad (in the Nesses of the forests of Alech, Barada and Gir)
	Pomla
	Tadvi Bhil, Bawra, Vasave
	Padvi
HIMACHAL PRADESH	Jad, Lamba, Khampa
	Beta, Beda
	Domba, Gara, Zoba
JAMMU & KASHMIR*	Beda
	Garra
	Mon
JHARKHAND	Banjara
	Khond
KARNATAKA	Adiyan
	Barda
	Bavacha, Bamcha
	Chenchu, Chenchwar
	Chodhara
	Dubla, Talavia, Halpati
	Gamit, Gamta, Gavit, Mavchi, Padvi, Valvi
	Irular
	Kammara (in South Kanaradisitriect and Kollegaltaluk of Mysore district)
	Kaniyan, Kanyan (in Kollegaltaluk of Mysore district)
	Kathodi, Katkari, DhorKathodi, DhorKatkari, Son Kathodi, Son Katkari
	Kattunayakan
	Kokna, Kokni, Kukna
	Kota
	Koya, BhineKoya, Rajkoya
	Kurumans
	MahaMalasar
	Malasar
	Malayekandi
	Maleru
	Palliyan
	Paniyan
	Patelia
	Rathawa
	Sholaga
	Toda
Varli	
Vitolia, Kotwalia, Barodia	

KERALA	Arandan, Aranadan
	Kochuvelan
	Koraga
	Kudiya, Melakudi
	MahaMalasar
	Malakkuravan
	Malayarayar
	Palleyan, Palliyan, Palliyar, Paliyan
	Ten Kurumban, JenuKurumban
	Thachanadan, ThachanadanMoopan
	Cholanaickan
	VettaKuruman
	Mala Panickar
	LAKSHADWEEP
MADHYA PRADESH	Andh
	Bhattra
	Bhunjia
	Birhul, Birhor
	Damor, Damaria
	Gadaba, Gadba
	Kamar
	Karku
	Kondh, Khond, Kandh
	Kolam
	Korwa, Kodaku
	Majhwar
	Nagesia, Nagasia
	Parja
	Saonta, Saunta
	Sawar, Sawara
MAHARASHTRA	Baiga
	Barda
	Bavacha, Bamcha
	Bhaina
	BhariaBhumia, BhuinharBhumia, Pando
	Bhattra
	Birhul, Birhor
	Kamar
	Khairwar
	Kharia
	Kondh, Khond, Kandh
	Koya, BhineKoya, Rajkoya
	Nagesia, Nagasia

	Parja
	Pomla
	Rathawa
	Sawar, Sawara
	Vitolia, Kotwalia, Barodia
MANIPUR	Angami
	Koireng
	Purum
	Ralte
	Sema
	Suhte
	Tarao
	Kharam
MEGHALAYA	Chakma
	Hmar
	Lakher
	Man (Tai speaking)
	Pawi
	Synteng
MIZORAM	Dimasa (Kachari)
	Garo
	Hajong
	Khasi and Jaintia (including KhasiSynteng or Pnar, War, Bhoi or Lyngngam)
	Man (Tai speaking)
	Mikir
	Any Naga tribes
	Synteng
NAGALAND	Mikir
	Chirr
	Makware
ODISHA	Baiga
	Birhor
	Chenchu
	DesuaBhumij
	Gandia
	Ghara
	Korua
	Mankidi
RAJASTHAN	Kokna, Kokni, Kukna
	KoliDhor, TokreKoli, Kolcha, Kolgha
	Patelia
TAMIL NADU	Aranadan

	Kadar
	Kammara (excluding Kanyakumari district and Shenkottahtaluk of Tirunelveli district)
	KochuVelan
	KondaKapus
	Koraga
	Kota (excluding Kanyakumari district and Shenkottahtaluk of Tirunelveli district)
	Kudiya, Melakudi
	MahaMalasar
	MalaiArayan
	MalaiPandaram
	Malayekandi
	Mannan
	Mudugar, Muduvan
	Muthuvan
	Palleyan
TRIPURA	Bhutia
	Chaimal
	Khasia
	Lepcha
UTTAR PRADESH	Raji
	Parahiya (in the district of Sonbhadra)
	Patari (in the district of Sonbhadra)
UTTARAKHAND	Raji
WEST BENGAL	Birjia
	Chakma
	Hajang
	Khond
	Mru
	Parhaiya

Note : \* The information is for combined Jammu & Kashmir before bifurcation in to UTs of Jammu & Kashmir & Ladakh.

# Before unification

Source: Census 2011, Registrar General of India,

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