GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 4109 TO BE ANSWERED ON- 28/03/2022

PVTGs IN ANDHRA PRADESH

4109. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) out of Scheduled Tribes in Andhra Pradesh after bifurcation;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) the findings of survey conducted by Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA) in 2020 to enumerate the population, socio-economic and livelihood conditions of the PVTG in East Godavari district;

(d) whether the Government is contemplating to conduct similar surveys in other districts of Andhra Pradesh; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a): The Government of India has identified 75 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) residing in 18 States and Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, including Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. However, no new identification of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) has been made after bifurcation of the State of Andhra Pradesh.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Government of Andhra Pradesh has conducted a comprehensive socio-economic multipurpose survey of all the PVTG households in the scheduled areas in all districts of Andhra Pradesh, including East Godavari district in the year 2019-20. The survey included demographic details, status of the PVTG areas, livelihood conditions of PVTG families and the gaps in development. A perspective plan for the development of PVTGs has also been developed to bridge the identified gaps to be implemented during a period of five years i.e. 2020-2025 by converging the resources under the Conservation-cum-Development (CCD) Plan of the Scheme of Development of PVTGs and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) component of other Central Ministries and the state government.

Some of the findings /observations highlighted in the survey, sector-wise, are as under:

- 1. Livelihoods
 - Need for increased number of days of wage employment under MGNREGA for PVTG communities.
 - Need for creation of basic infrastructural facilities also in PVTG habitations under MGNREGA.
 - Need for earmarking of financial resources in proportion to the population of PVTG.
 - Need for special initiative for comprehensive development of PVTG by converging resources of MHA, MoRD and other Ministries, including MoTA.

- 2. Education
 - Need for establishing EMRS exclusively for the PVTG students with suitable teaching pattern and medium of instructions.
 - Need for introduction of vocational education from secondary level.
 - Need for upgrading the EMRS beyond XII standard to Graduation level with simultaneous skill upgradation programs for enhanced employability.
 - Need for Campus recruitment/ Career guidance wing in the institutions to facilitate advancement of career for PVTG.

3. Health

- Need for enhanced access to Medical and Health Services by establishing Mini Sub Centre with an ANM in all the PVTG habitations similar to Mini Anganwadi Centres.
- Need for facility of institutional delivery within a travel distance of one hour for reducing IMR and MMR.
- 4. Human Resource
 - Need for special HR Policy aiming at motivating and incentivizing government employees working in interior and remote tribal areas to upgrade administration of tribal areas.

Details of the population survey is given at Annexure.

(d): As mentioned in para (c), the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has already carried out PVTG households surveys in all the districts of the state as per the extant guidelines of the Scheme of development of PVTG and has formulated Conservation-cum-Development (CCD) plan for their comprehensive development to be implemented during 2020-25.

(e): Does not arise in view of (d) above.

District-wise Primitive Tribal Groups and their population										
S.	District	Name of the Tribe								
No.		Chenchu	Gadaba	Kondh	Konda Reddy	Savara	Kolam	Porja	Thoti	Total
1.	Seethampeta /Srikakulam	215	1444	2948	34	107662	0	3	0	112306
2.	Parvathipuram/ Vizianagaram	330	22276	772	72	32093	0	230	0	55773
3.	Paderu / Visakhapatnam	551	15643	99346	2280	368	95	32311	4	150598
4.	Rampachodavaram / East Godavari	1363	544	938	79926	430	4	2624	0	85829
4(a).	Chintur / East Godavari	0	0	0	5213	0	0	0	0	5213
5.	K.R. Puram/ West Godavari	2352	17	98	9880	207	0	21	0	12575
6.	Srisailam/ (Guntur, Pradasam, Kurnool)	39993	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	40002
7.	Krishna	2836	10	45	969	239	0	2	0	4101
8.	Guntur	0	37	46	647	202	9	6	0	947
9.	Prakasam	0	5	13	214	151	0	0	0	383
10.	Kurnool	0	1	18	497	0	0	17	0	533
11.	SPSR Nellore	527	25	95	237	110	0	0	0	994
12.	YSR Kadapa	1881	12	52	163	9	1	5	0	2123
13.	Ananthapuram	92	0	16	78	12	7	0	0	205
14.	Chitoor	508	1	107	305	148	6	3	0	1078
	Grand Total:	50648	40015	104494	100515	141631	131	35222	4	472660

Annexure referred to in para (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4109 due for answer on 28.03.2022
