

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- †731

TO BE ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2022

TRIFED

†731. SHRI JASWANT SINGH BHABHOR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of outlets of TRIFED institution functioning across the country along with the number of such outlets located in Gujarat;
- (b) whether any TRIFED outlet has been opened in Dahod and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total amount of purchase and sale, made by TRIFED during 2020-21 along with the details of tribals and forest dwellers benefitted from it;
- (d) the details of the agencies involved therein and the number of beneficiaries of Dahod district; and
- (e) the steps taken being taken by the Government to increase the income of tribals and forest dwellers associated with the TRIFED?

ANSWER

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

(a) As informed by Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED), the number of TRIBES India outlet as on 31.01.2022 is 119. The number of TRIBES India Outlets in the State of Gujarat are 7.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The total amount of purchase and sale made by TRIFED during 2020-21 along with the details of tribals and forest dwellers benefitted are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial year	Purchases	Sales	Tribal and Forest Dwellers beneficiaries
1	2020-2021	1330.11	3012.75	More than 5 lakhs

(d) As per the information received from TRIFED, there are two suppliers in Dahod, Gujarat namely M/s. SAHAJ, which is a organisation for women's development and UTSAV HANDICRAFTS. The total number of tribal families associated with these suppliers in Dahod area are 439.

(e) The cabinet has approved Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission during the year, which is aimed at increasing livelihood opportunities for tribals who are mainly dependent on forests for their livelihood. The Mission seeks to achieve livelihood driven tribal development in the next five years through formation of Vandhan self help groups who have been organized into Vandhan Kendras. The MFP gathered by tribals will be processed in these kendras. The Van Dhan Producer Enterprises would provide ensure packaging, marketing and branding of these products which would help to develop these groups as entrepreneurs and provide backward and forward linkages to the entire. New haats bazaar and ware houses will be developed in next 5 years as part of "*Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhyan*". TRIFED would be the nodal agency for implementing the scheme. The products produced will be marketed through Tribe India Stores. An amount of Rs. 1612 cr has been earmarked under the Mission for next five years. The Mission will also provide marketing support for the products of these tribal people which increases their income under the scheme 'Institutional Support for development and marketing of tribal products / produce'. The scheme will also ensure Marketing Of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) Through Minimum Support Price (MSP) And Development Of Value Chain For MFP' (MSP for MFP in short) to establish a system to ensure fair monetary returns for the efforts of forest gatherers engaged in collection, primary processing, storage, packaging, transportation etc. The scheme envisages fixation and declaration of Minimum Support Price for the selected MFP along with procurement & marketing operation at prefixed MSP undertaken by the designated State Agencies. Simultaneously, other medium- & long-term issues like sustainable collection, value addition, infrastructure development, knowledge base expansion of MFP, market intelligence development etc. are also addressed.
