GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No- 744

TO BE ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2022

TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH NGOs

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: -

- (a) whether the Government is implementing programmes for Tribal Development through Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in the country particularly in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details of the programmes in progress as on date;
- (c) the comparative study on the development being undertaken in during 2004-2014 and 2014-2021;
- (d) the names of States where "Adivasi Mahila Sashaktikararn Yojana" for welfare of adivasi women is being implemented by the Union Government;
- (e) whether any proposal in regard to women empowerment has been received from West Bengal under the above Scheme; and
- (f) if so, the Government's reaction thereto?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Tribal Affairs is administering the scheme of "Grant in Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for the welfare of STs".
- (b) The scheme is aimed to enhance the reach of welfare schemes of Government through the efforts of voluntary organizations working in sectors such as education, health and livelihood. The Ministry has developed a dedicated portal (ngo.tribal.gov.in) **for receiving on**line applications for the ongoing and new projects. The budget under the scheme is Rs 110 cr (BE). The detailed guidelines of the scheme are available at the website of the Ministry tribal.nic.in.
- (c) No such study has been conducted.
- (d) Scheme titled "Adivasi Mahila Sashaktikaran Yojana (AMSY)" is being implemented by National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC), an apex organisation under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for economic development of Scheduled Tribes Women across the Country. Under the scheme, NSTFDC provides loan upto 90% for projects costing upto ₹2.00 lakh at highly concessional rate of interest of 4% per annum. This scheme is meant for all States/ UTs.
- (e) to (f) From the State of West Bengal twelve (12) proposals under this scheme were received by NSTFDC from 2019-20 and upto 31.12.2021 and all the 12 proposals were approved.
