

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1292
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Criteria to Establish Tribal University

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the criteria for establishing Tribal University in the country;
- (b) the total number of Tribal Universities at present all over the country;
- (c) the number of tribal students enrolled and the subjects being taught therein, University-wise;
- (d) whether the facility of pursuing Ph.D from tribal Universities is available and if so, the details of the subjects in which Ph.D is being pursued; and
- (e) the facilities being provided by the Universities to the researchers pursuing Ph.D?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) to (e): A decision to set up a Tribal University is taken by the Government keeping in view the necessity and interest of the tribal population of the country. Presently, there are two Central Tribal Universities in the Country under the administrative control of this Ministry namely the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University (IGNTU), Amarkantak in Madhya Pradesh and the Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP), Vizianagram in Andhra Pradesh. All the Central Universities cater to the need of tribal students also. IGNTU and CTUAP have enrolment of 433 and 62 students respectively in different subjects the details of which are available on the respective websites of the Universities. While the IGNTU is providing Ph.D courses in 30 departments, the Ph.D course has not been started in CTUAP as it is a new University established in 2019. IGNTU provides dedicated library and computing facilities, research hostel, non-NET fellowship, and sophisticated laboratories.
