

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2884
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.08.2022**

TARA SCHEME

2884. COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the number of organizations that are currently working under the TARA scheme under the Science for Equity, Empowerment and Development branch of the Government, State-wise including the district-wise details for Rajasthan;**
- (b) the details of the broad area of working for such organizations, State-wise along with areas of work and number of organizations engaged in the area, as of June 2022;**
- (c) the details of the total amount disbursed to the organizations in different States, State-wise including the district-wise details for Rajasthan since the inception of the scheme to June 2022; and**
- (d) whether the Government has any investigation and feedback mechanism at regular intervals to ensure the organizations are working towards the objectives they have received funding towards and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी तथा पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)
(डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह)

- (a) Technological Advancement for Rural Areas (TARA) programme under Science for Equity, Empowerment and Development (SEED) division, Department of Science & Technology, Ministry of Science & Technology,**

Govt. of India supports S&T enabled Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to provide need-based and location specific innovative S&T solutions for livelihood improvement including self-employment generation, skill development and drudgery reduction among the target population through technology delivery and social enterprise creation. State-wise details of 16 number of organizations being supported under TARA scheme is attached as Annexure-I.

(b) At present, 16 S&T driven NGOs are being supported through bottom-up approach to increase S&T delivery and social enterprise creation in the areas of Agriculture & allied, Energy, Health & Nutrition, Water, Education and Housing sectors etc. These organizations play crucial role in building local capacities at the grassroots level and facilitate better livelihoods and skill development through adoption of appropriate technologies at the community level in socio-economic sectors to enhance quality of life (www.dsttara.in). Details of State-wise along with areas of work and number of organizations engaged in the area, as of June 2022 is attached as Annexure-II.

(c) State-wise details of the total amount disbursed to the NGOs supported since 2011 to June 2022 under TARA scheme of SEED division including the district-wise details for Rajasthan is attached as Annexure-III.

(d) Yes Sir. The projects supported to these organizations are being monitored regularly through stringent performance monitoring mechanism devised over a period to strengthen the schemes and programmes. These mechanisms are Third Party Evaluation, On-the spot assessment of implemented projects and feedback from beneficiaries, Review of schemes/programmes by experts, Review of supported projects through Group Monitoring Workshops, Evaluation of outcomes of individual projects etc. However, considerable flexibility is built into the operation of the schemes for funding as well as for modifying or dropping approved objectives of the projects considering the ground realities thus inculcating confidence amongst the implementing field agencies to achieve the desired results.

State-wise details of 16 number of organizations being supported under TARA scheme

S. No	State	District	Project Name	Organization Name
1.	Delhi	South Delhi	Core Support Project	Society for Development Alternatives, New Delhi
		West Delhi	Core Support Project	Society for Environment & Development, UG-3, E/77, West Vinod Nagar, Delhi-110092
2.	Gujarat	Anand	Core Support Project	Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat
		Ahmedabad	Core Support Project	VIKSAT, Nehru Foundation for Development, Thaltej Tekra, Ahmedabad-380054
3.	Himachal Pradesh	Mandi	Core Support Project	Society for Technology & Development, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh
		Shimla	Core Support Project	Himalayan Research Group, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
4.	Kerala	Wayanad	Core Support Project	M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Wayanad, Kerala
5.	Maharashtra	Pune	Core Support Project	Appropriate Rural Technology Institute (ARTI), Pune, Maharashtra
		Mumbai	Core Support Project	Rural Communes, Mumbai, Maharashtra
6.	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Core Support Project	Madhya Pradesh Vigyan Sabha, Bhopal, MP
7.	Manipur	Kangpokpi	Core Support Project	Foundation for Environment & Economic Development Services (FEEDS), Kangpokpi, Manipur
8.	Rajasthan	Ajmer	Core Support Project	Social Work and Research Centre (Barefoot College), Tilonia, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305816
9.	Telangana	Hyderabad	Core Support Project	Society for Energy Environment & Development (SEED), Hyderabad
10.	Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur	Core Support Project	Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), 224, Purdilpur, M.G. College Road, Gorakhpur U.P.
11.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	Core Support Project	Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
12.	West Bengal	South 24 Parganas	Core Support Project	Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology, Nimpith Ashram, West Bengal

State-wise along with areas of work and number of organizations engaged in the area, as of June 2022

S. No.	State	Area of Work	Number of Organization Name
1.	Delhi	Water and Sanitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Society for Development Alternatives, New Delhi
		Rural Engineering & Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Society for Development Alternatives, New Delhi World Wide Fund for Nature – India (WWF-India), New Delhi Society for Environment & Development, UG-3, E/77, West Vinod Nagar, Delhi
		Clean & Affordable Energy Solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Wide Fund for Nature – India (WWF-India), New Delhi Society for Environment & Development, UG-3, E/77, West Vinod Nagar, Delhi
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Society for Environment & Development, UG-3, E/77, West Vinod Nagar, Delhi
2.	Gujarat	Rural Engineering & Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat
		Clean & Affordable Energy Solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat
		Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat VIKSAT, Nehru Foundation for Development, Thaltej Tekra, Ahmedabad-38005
3.	Himachal Pradesh	Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Society for Technology & Development, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Himalayan Research Group, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
		Clean & Affordable Energy Solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Himalayan Research Group, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
		Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Society for Technology & Development, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh
4.	Kerala	Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Wayanad, Kerala
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Wayanad, Kerala
5.	Maharashtra	Clean & Affordable Energy Solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate Rural Technology Institute (ARTI), Pune, Maharashtra
		Rural Engineering & Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Communes, Mumbai, Maharashtra
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate Rural Technology Institute (ARTI), Pune, Maharashtra Rural Communes, Mumbai, Maharashtra
6.	Manipur	Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundation for Environment & Economic Development Services (FEEDS), Kangpokpi, Manipur
7.	Madhya Pradesh	Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Madhya Pradesh Vigyan Sabha, Bhopal, MP
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Madhya Pradesh Vigyan Sabha, Bhopal, MP
8.	Rajasthan	Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Work and Research Centre (Barefoot College), Tilonia, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305816
		Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Work and Research Centre (Barefoot College), Tilonia, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305816

9.	Telangana	Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Society for Energy Environment & Development (SEED), Hyderabad
10.	Uttar Pradesh	Water and Sanitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), Gorakhpur – 273 001 (U.P.)
		Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), Gorakhpur – 273 001 (U.P.)
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), Gorakhpur – 273 001 (U.P.)
11.	Uttarakhand	Rural Engineering & Habitat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
		Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
		Clean & Affordable Energy Solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
		Food Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
		Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand
12.	West Bengal	Agriculture and Animal Husbandry & Allied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology, Nimpith Ashram, West Bengal
		ICT Based Technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology, Nimpith Ashram, West Bengal

State-wise details of the total amount disbursed to the NGOs supported since 2011 to June 2022 under TARA scheme of SEED division including the district-wise details for Rajasthan

S. No.	State	Project Name	Organization Name	Total Amount Released During 2011-2022) (Rs in Lakhs)
1.	Delhi	Core Support Project	Society for Development Alternatives, New Delhi	Rs.212.06535 General (G)* Rs.63.55933 Capital (C)*
		Core Support Project	Society for Environment & Development, UG-3, E/77, West Vinod Nagar, Delhi-110092	Rs. 62.00 (G) Rs. 19.10 (C)
		Core Support Project	World Wide Fund for Nature – India (WWF-India), New Delhi	Rs. 76.88895 (G) Rs.10.00 (C)
		Core Support Project	Society for Economic and Social Studies (SESS), Centre for Technology and Development, New Delhi	Rs.88.00075 (G) Rs.13.70 (C)
Total				Rs.438.95505 (General) Rs.106.35933 (Capital)
2.	Gujarat	Core Support Project	Sardar Patel Renewable Energy Research Institute (SPRERI), Gujarat	Rs. 76.82931 (G) Rs.63.26829 (C)
		Core Support Project	VIKSAT, Nehru Foundation for Development, ThaltejTekra, Ahmedabad-380054	Rs. 68.00 (G) Rs.31.81 (C)
Total				Rs. 144.82931 (General) Rs. 95.07829 (Capital)
3.	Himachal Pradesh	Core Support Project	Society for Technology & Development, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh	Rs. 185.91788 (G) RS. 18.543 (C)
		Core Support Project	Himalayan Research Group, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh	Rs.121.05459 (G) Rs.30.38698 (C)
Total				Rs.306.97247 (General) Rs.48.92998 (Capital)
4.	Kerala	Core Support Project	M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Wayanad, Kerala	Rs. 264.34318 (G) Rs.54.96622 (C)
		Core Support Project	Mitraniketan, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	Rs. 187.40749 (G) Rs.5.19 (C)

Total				Rs.451.175067 (General) Rs.60.15622 (Capital)
5.	Maharashtra	Core Support Project	Appropriate Rural Technology Institute (ARTI), Pune, Maharashtra	Rs. 151.84877 (G) Rs.25.18942 (C)
		Core Support Project	Centre of Science for Villages (CSV), Wardha 442001, Maharashtra	Rs. 8.00 (G) Rs. 8.04 (C)
		Core Support Project	Vigyan Ashram, Pune	Rs.128.82 (G) Rs.15.00 (C)
		Core Support Project	BAIF Development Research Foundation, Pune	Rs. 138.51638 (G) Rs.32.97263 (C)
		Core Support Project	Rural Communes, Mumbai, Maharashtra	Rs. 45.09566 (G) Rs. 10.25 (C)
Total				Rs.472.28081 (General) Rs.91.45205 (Capital)
6.	Madhya Pradesh	Core Support Project	Madhya Pradesh Vigyan Sabha, Bhopal, MP	Rs. 176.65415 (G) Rs. 39.96 (C)
Total				Rs. 176.65415 (General) Rs. 39.96 (Capital)
7.	Manipur	Core Support Project	Foundation for Environment & Economic Development Services (FEEDS), Kangpokpi, Manipur	Rs. 110.00 (G) Rs. 88.50 (C)
Total				Rs. 110.00 (General) Rs. 88.50 (Capital)
8.	Rajasthan (Ajmer)	Core Support Project	Social Work and Research Centre (Barefoot College), Tilonia, Ajmer, Rajasthan-305816	Rs.90.00 (G) Rs.28.93 (C)
Total				Rs. 90.00 (General) Rs. 28.93 (Capital)
9.	Telangana	Core Support Project	Society for Energy Environment & Development (SEED), Hyderabad	Rs. 109.1458 (G) RS. 22.15577 (C)
		Core Support Project	Dangoria Charitable Trust, Hyderabad	Rs.33.96 (G) Rs.0.90 (C)
Total				Rs. 143.1058 (General) Rs. 23.05577 (Capital)
10.	Uttar Pradesh	Core Support Project	Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), 224, Purdilpur, M.G. College Road, Post Box#60, Gorakhpur (U.P.)	Rs.69.00 (G) Rs.53.349 (C)
12.	Uttarakhand	Core Support Project	Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organization (HESCO), Dehradun, Uttarakhand	Rs. 210.68056 (G) Rs. 42.16568 (C)
Total				Rs. 210.68056 (General)

				Rs. 42.16568 (Capital)
13.	West Bengal	Core Support Project	Vivekananda Institute of Biotechnology, Nimpith Ashram, West Bengal	Rs.163.54598 (G) Rs. 29.05 (C)
Total				Rs.163.54598 (General) Rs. 29.05 (Capital)
14.	Tripura	Core Support Project	N B Institute of Rural Technology (NBIRT), Tripura	Rs. 106.86878 (G) Rs.53.76 (C)
Total				Rs. 106.86878 (General) Rs.53.76 (Capital)
15.	Jharkhand	Core Support Project	SRI, Ranchi Jharkhand	Rs.55.2308 (G) Rs.4.88922 (C)
Total				Rs.55.2308 (General) Rs.4.88922 (Capital)
16.	Tamil Nadu	Core Support Project	Vivekananda Kendra – NARDEP, Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu	Rs. 135.23651 (G) RS. 17.84926 (C)
		Core Support Project	Shri AMM Murugappa Chettiar Research Centre (MCRC), Chennai, Tamil Nadu	Rs.156.33222 (G) Rs.18.84771 (C)
Total				Rs.391.56873 (General) Rs.36.69697 (Capital)
17.	Karnataka	Core Support Project	Technology Informatics Design Endeavour (TIDE), Bangalore, Karnataka	Rs. 122.87673 (G) Rs.15.00 (C)
Total				Rs. 122.87673 (General) Rs.15.00 (Capital)

G*- General head C*- Capital head
