GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1726 TO BE ANSWERED ON- 05/12/2024

WELFARE OF PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TRIBAL GROUPS

1726. DR. GUMMA THANUJA RANI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) in the country;
- (b) the current status of implementation of schemes for the welfare and development of PVTGs, particularly in Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure access to education, healthcare and livelihood opportunities for PVTGs;
- (d) whether any specific measures have been implemented to protect the cultural heritage and traditional knowledge of PVTGs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) to (c): For the socio-economic development of 75 PVTG communities residing in 18 States and one UT, Hon'ble Prime Minister launched Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha AbhiyaN (PM JANMAN) on 15th November 2023. The mission aims to provide basic facilities such as safe housing, clean drinking water and improved access to education, health and nutrition, road and telecom connectivity, electrification of unelectrified households and sustainable livelihood opportunities in 3 years. These objectives are being met through 11 interventions implemented by 9-line Ministries. The details of benefits given under the Abhiyan scheme, across the country including Andhra Pradesh, since its inception is given in **Annexure-I.**

Ministry of Tribal Affairs through the State Governments/ UT Administration/departments has undertaken habitation level data collection exercise through PM Gati Shakti mobile application to estimate PVTG population and infrastructure gaps in order to cover PVTG residing in villages & habitations covered under PM JANMAN. Based on the data captured (as on 21.11.2024), State/UT- wise, PVTG population is tabulated at **Annexure-II**.

(d) & (e): Ministry of Tribal Affairs extends support to the State Governments through the scheme 'Support to Tribal Research Institute' (TRI) to protect the cultural heritage and traditional knowledge of PVTG. Funds are also given for organisation of festivals, Adi Mahotsav, tribal language, exchange visits, ethnographic studies, traditional practices, exchange visits etc so as to ensure preservation and promotion of tribal culture including PVTGs. The details of such projects sanctioned (State Wise Year wise) by the Ministry may be seen at the web site of the Ministry (https://tribal.nic.in/Display Apex Minutes.aspx)

Annex referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1726 for answer on 05.12.2024 raised by Dr. Gumma Thanuja Rani regarding "Welfare of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups"

PM JANMAN Progress (as on 21st November 2024)

| Name of Ministry | Intervention | Mission Target (2023-2026) | Sanctions | Financial Sanctions (Rs in Crore) |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|
| M/o Rural Development | Pucca houses | ~ 4.90 lakh pucca houses | 336367 houses | 2722.14 |
| | Connecting roads | 8000 Km road | 4484.30 km road | 3386.2 |
| M/o Health and Family Welfare | Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) | 1000 MMU | 616 MMUs | 208.7 |
| D/o DW&S, M/o Jal Shakti | Piped Water Supply (FHTCs) | 15309 Villages | 6350 Villages 100% Saturated | 344.35 |
| M/o Women and Child Development | Anganwadi Centers (AWCs) | 2500 AWCs | 1864 AWCs | 311.16 |
| D/o SE&L, M/o Education | Hostels | 500 Hostels | 194 Hostels | 476.16 |
| DoT, M/o Communications | Mobile towers | Coverage of 3959 habitations | 1499 habitations | 204.3 |
| M/o Power | Energization of HHs | ~ 2.65 lakh HHs | 140440 HHs | 516.15 |
| M/o New and Renewable Energy | Energization of HHs | All eligible and uncovered by MoP | 9569 HHs | 47.86 |
| M/o Tribal Affairs | Multipurpose Centres (MPCs) | 1000 MPCs | 873 MPCs | 119.24 |
| | Setting up of VDVKs | 500 VDVKs | 501 VDVKs | 33.61 (including Rs. 12.20 Cr of MoSDE) |
| Total (Rs. in Crore | 8369.87 | | | |

^{*}As information provided by concerned Ministries

The details of benefits given under PM JANMAN (as on 21.11.2024) in Andhra Pradesh

| Ministry | Intervention | Sanctions | Financial sanctions (in Rs. cr) |
|----------|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| MoRD | Pucca houses | 32258 houses | 44.33 |
| | Connecting roads | 315.538 Km road | 280.53 |
| MoJS | Piped Water Supply | 372 villages saturated | Not Available |
| MoHFW | Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) | 119 MMUs sanctioned | 40.31 |
| MoWCD | Anganwadi Centers (AWCs) | 266 AWCs | 43.44 |
| MoE | Hostels | 8 Hostels | 18.85 |
| MoP | Energization of HHs | 25054 HHs | 88.71 |
| MNRE | Energization of HHs | 1675 HHs | 8.38 |
| DoT, MoC | Mobile towers | 1010 habitations | 94.5 |
| МоТА | Multipurpose Centres (MPCs) | 125 MPCs | 14.97 |
| | Setting up of VDVKs | 73 VDVKs | 3.105 |

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PVTG population based on the mobile application-based habitation survey by State Governments / UT Administrations/department (as on 21.11.2024)

| S.No | State* | PVTG Population |
|-------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | ANDAMAN & NICOBAR | 191 |
| 2 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 492552 |
| 3 | CHHATTISGARH | 229743 |
| 4 | GUJARAT | 153516 |
| 5 | JHARKHAND | 398952 |
| 6 | KARNATAKA | 57448 |
| 7 | KERALA | 29511 |
| 8 | MADHYA PRADESH | 1229201 |
| 9 | MAHARASHTRA | 623143 |
| 10 | ODISHA | 300436 |
| 11 | RAJASTHAN | 128456 |
| 12 | TAMIL NADU | 380376 |
| 13 | TELANGANA | 63194 |
| 14 | TRIPURA | 273240 |
| 15 | UTTAR PRADESH | 3527 |
| 16 | UTTARAKHAND | 92233 |
| 17 | WEST BENGAL | 67087 |
| Grand Total | | 4522806 |

^{*} Bihar and Manipur are the other States covered under Abhiyan.
