

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2302
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2025

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRIBAL MULTIPURPOSE MARKETING CENTRES

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the establishment of hundred tribal multipurpose marketing centres would benefit tribal communities economically;
- (b) the kind of support and resources that would be provided to tribal entrepreneurs through these centres; and
- (c) whether the Government is taking any steps to ensure that these centres remain operational and effective in the long term in Andhra Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) & (b): Tribal Multipurpose Marketing Centers (TMMCs) has been envisaged to act as a facility centre for aggregation, value addition and marketing of tribal produce/products for overall socio-economic development of tribal communities and enhancing their income in following ways:

- a. Minimize post-harvest and post-production losses.
- b. Foster the use of locally sourced produce / products through aggregation/ value addition of tribal produce / products.
- c. Provide tribal producers with opportunities and support for collective marketing and other services such as market information and establishing contacts between farmers and potential buyers.
- d. Ensuring better price realization of tribal produce / products by establishing market linkages at various levels and opportunities of aggregation with tie ups.

(c): Ministry of Tribal Affairs has approved 06 TMMCs based on the proposals from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh. State Government has been advised to ensure consultations with stakeholders including feasibility / accessibility.
