

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5308
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 03/04/2025

GRANTS-IN-AID TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS SCHEME

5308. Shri Pradeep Purohit:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the processing of applications of NGOs seeking grants under the scheme “Grants-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations” is pending at the district level;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of pending applications, district-wise and the reasons for the delay;
- (c) the total number of applications submitted under the said scheme in Odisha, district and NGO-wise including details of the programmes and estimated amount of grants;
- (d) the number of applications approved and rejected during the last three years along with reasons for rejection;
- (e) whether the Government has put in place a monitoring mechanism to ensure the proper utilization of grants provided under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any cases of misuse of funds have been reported and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken against the concerned NGOs?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) & (b): Under the scheme of “Grants-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for the welfare of STs”, there are applications pending at District Level for processing.

Number of applications for consideration of Grants in Aid for ongoing projects pending at District Level for last three Financial Years is tabulated below: -

Financial Year	No. of ongoing projects pending at District Level
2023-24	13
2022-23	4
2021-22	25

Ministry has requested State Govt./ District Authority to process applications pending at their level.

(c): The number of Voluntary Organizations (VOs)/Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs) funded under the scheme of ‘Grants-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations (VOs) working for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes (STs)’ during 2021-22 to 2023-24 in Odisha, district and NGO-wise including programme names and grants released is as per **Annexure-1**.

(d): the number of applications approved and rejected at Ministry level during the last three years is given below:-

Scheme - Grants in Aid to Voluntary Organizations Working for the Welfare of STs				
Financial Year	No. of applications for consideration of Grants in Aid for ongoing projects recommended by State Govt.	No. of applications considered for GIA	No. of applications rejected at Centre	Reasons for rejection
2023-24	303	302	1	Projects were rejected as per procedures laid down in scheme guidelines.
2022-23	314	310	3	
2021-22	325	318	7	

(e): To ensure the proper utilization of grants provided under the scheme of “Grants-in-Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for the welfare of STs”, below monitoring mechanism is placed:-

- i. Ministry has launched ‘NGO Grants Online Application & Tracking System’ through which all the project and proposals are called for and processed online with all level of monitoring.
- ii. Requisite documents are sought from NGOs/VOs through NGO Grants Online Application & Tracking System, it has drastically reduced the time spent for communication between Ministry, State and NGO.
- iii. Mandatory Annual Physical Inspection of the project from Concerned District Authority.
- iv. Mandatory Annual recommendation of concerned State Govt/ UT Administration.
- v. Field inspection by Ministry Officials during tour to States/UT and Inspection by Independent Monitoring Agency.
- vi. Mandatory submission of UC and audited statement of previous grant.
- vii. Mandatory compliance of TSA Hybrid model from all projects/proposals.

(f): During last three years (2021-22 to 2023-24), Ministry has received two complaints. One complaint was received from West Bengal and another complaint was received from Tamil Nadu. Details are as below:-

- i. A complaint received during the year 2022-23 against NGO - Graameeya Makkal Abivirudhi Iyakkam, Tamil Nadu from Dr. Akhil Adhithyan M.B.B.S regarding unavailability of medicine and illegal activities being done by the Organization. The same was forwarded to State Govt. of Tamil Nadu to submit complete report in the matter. After receiving satisfactory report from State Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Grants in Aid was released to NGO.
- ii. Another complaint received during the year 2022-23 against NGO - Bharat Sevashram Sangha Dokra Branch, Dokra, West Bengal regarding fund released by the Ministry is frequently used by the Secretary of the Organization and for his relatives. The complaint was forwarded to the concerned State Govt. for enquiry and submitting report to the Ministry. State Govt. replied that they had conducted an enquiry and found that complaint was not correct.

DETAILS OF FUND RELEASED DURING THE YEAR 2021-22 TO 2023-24 FOR THE NGO'S RUN PROJECTS IN ODISHA UNDER THE SCHEME OF GRNATS IN AID TO VOLUNATARY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING FOR THE WELFARE OF STS (In Rs.)					
District	NGO	Project Name	2021 22	2022 23	2023 24
ANUGUL	Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama	Residential school in low literacy district	7619185	17092926	-
CUTTACK	Banki Anchalika Adibasi Harijan Kalyan Parisad	Hostel	375447	2042177	890858
CUTTACK	Maa Bindhyabasini Anath Siskhyashram	Hostel	-	2938063	1317870
CUTTACK	Sankalp	Residential School	1887010	6263089	4697317
DHENKANAL	Arun Institute Of Rural Affairs	Residential School	1283878	3793230	3556508
DHENKANAL	Arun Institute Of Rural Affairs	Residential school in low literacy district	489440	6646800	11695541
JAJAPUR	Laxmi Narayan Seva Pratisthan	Residential School	-	-	2266447
KALAHANDI	Shree Ramakrishna Ashrama	Hostel	1660377	5816309	3807034
KALAHANDI	Shree Ramakrishna Ashrama	Mobile dispensary/multi service mobile units	52926	1832238	1602823
KANDHAMAL	Banabasi Seva Samiti	Hostel	1462544	1759947	-
KENDUJHAR	Prakalpa	Residential school in low literacy district	8701673	560864	-
KHORDHA	Kalinga Institute Of Social Sciences	Residential School	96766481	39398443	138250259
KHORDHA	Kalinga Institute Of Social Sciences	Residential School	76814842	36159016	171405385
KHORDHA	Nehru Seva Sangh	Hostel	1623873	-	1118483
KHORDHA	Ramakrishna Mission	Hostel	1089495	1584725	697552
KHORDHA	Vishwa Jeevan Seva Sangha	Residential School	2216863	3301936	1758155
KORAPUT	Bright Career Academy	Residential school in low literacy district	3633975	4846050	8704572
KORAPUT	Koraput Development Foundation	Residential school in low literacy district	7969649	6955867	10105228

KORAPUT	M S Swaminathan Research Foundation	Livelihood projects	-	129747	-
KORAPUT	Marr Munning Ashram	Residential school in low literacy district	1660585	2739494	-
KORAPUT	Sarvodaya Samiti	Residential school in low literacy district	-	4122615	-
MALKANGIRI	Social Education For Environment & Development (Seed)	Residential School	-	3759489	-
MALKANGIRI	Tagore Society For Rural Development Orissa Projects	Residential school in low literacy district	159040	2868521	-
MAYURBHANJ	Organization For The Rural Women And Youth Development	Residential School	689852	2402627	-
NUAPADA	Holy Home	Residential school in low literacy district	5171675	10617300	16618179
PURI	Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Puri	Hostel	2483106	1289390	967043
RAYAGADA	Kgnm Trust	Residential school in low literacy district	1659843	167541	2691878
RAYAGADA	Nysasdri	Residential School	5833275	1861750	1396313
RAYAGADA	Seva Samaj	Hostel	-	2201781	926383
RAYAGADA	Seva Samaj	Residential school in low literacy district	1262339	3657819	1990373
RAYAGADA	Society For Nature, Education And Health (Sneh)	Residential school in low literacy district	2446416	3449766	3442006
RAYAGADA	Society For Nature, Education And Health (Sneh)	Residential school in low literacy district	3157835	2683118	3986486
SAMBALPUR	Nikhila Utkal Harijan Adivasi Seva Sangha	Residential School	-	4948129	3953526
SUNDARGARH	Association For Voluntary Action (Ava)	Residential School	-	5968272	3325292
SUNDARGARH	Bharat Sevashram Sangha Jamshedpur	10 or more bedded hospital	644407	6832909	3590136
SUNDARGARH	Bharat Sevashram Sangha Jamshedpur	Mobile dispensary/multi service mobile units	1146722	957245	1053465

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SUNDARGARH	Bharat Sevashram Sangha Jamshedpur	Residential School	1387354	2430638	2707811
			242481660	204949463	409584484
