

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2540  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2025**

**PROGRAMMES FOR NT AND SNT**

**2540. SMT. MAHIMA KUMARI MEWAR:**

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any targeted schemes or programs for nomadic and seminomadic tribes such as Raika, Banjara or Gadolia Lohar communities in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details of such schemes implemented during the last five years, including support for housing, livelihood and education;
- (c) whether community-based asset creation or skill training has been integrated into these schemes; and
- (d) the number of beneficiaries identified and assisted in Rajasthan under such schemes, district-wise?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT**

**(SHRI B.L.VERMA)**

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Development and Welfare Board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi Nomadic Communities is implementing a Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED) for the Development and Welfare of Nomadic and Semi Nomadic Communities from the financial year 2021-2022 including Nomadic and Semi Nomadic Communities such as Raika, Banjara or Gadolia Lohar Communities in Rajasthan. The Scheme provides support for:

- (i) Educational Empowerment: By giving them financial assistance for free coaching which will enable them getting admission in good institutes/employment in public and private sector
- (ii) Health: Ayushman Cards are being distributed among DNT communities
- (iii) Livelihoods: SHGs have been formed in DNT communities clusters to enable them improve their economic condition
- (iv) Land and Housing: Facilitates to provide houses to DNT communities under PMAY-G/PMAY-U, other government schemes.

(c): One of the objectives of the Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED) is to take initiatives to save their traditional art and facilitate their marketing linkages under livelihood component. This is facilitated through self help groups in order to boost their livelihood opportunities.

(d): Livelihood Component of SEED is being implemented in 20 districts of Rajasthan. Under free coaching component, 23 DNT communities students have been given free coaching and under livelihood component, 799 Self Help Groups (SHGs) have been formed so far, which benefited 10,104 beneficiaries. The district wise details of Self Help Groups (SHGs) and beneficiaries therein under livelihood component and Beneficiaries under the Free Coaching component of SEED scheme in the State of Rajasthan are at **Annexure**.

**Annexure to part (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2540 to be answered on 05.08.2025 asked by Smt. Mahima Kumari Mewar, regarding "Programmes for NT and SNT".**

**District-wise list of Self Help Groups (SHGs) and Beneficiaries in Free Coaching in Rajasthan State**

S. No.	Name of Districts	SHGs formed so far under livelihood component	Number of Beneficiaries under Livelihood component	No. of Beneficiaries in Free Coaching
1	Bharatpur	52	820	--
2	Chittorgarh	55	712	02
3	Dausa	59	874	--
4	Dholpur	24	382	--
5	Jaipur	56	848	--
6	Karauli	60	780	--
7	Alwar	46	584	--
8	Kotpotli-Behror	23	236	--
9	Deeg	37	444	--
10	Khairtal-Tijara	18	216	--
11	Sawai Madhopur	20	228	--
12	Barmer	98	1176	--
13	Jodhpur	39	468	--
14	Jaisalmer	42	456	--
15	Bikaner	50	575	04
16	Baltora	22	264	--
17	Jalore	30	275	--
18	Phalodi	30	310	--
19	Pali	23	276	--
20	Udaipur	15	180	02
21	Tonk	--	--	06
22	Sri Ganganagar	--	--	02
23	Hanumangarh	--	--	05
24	Churu	--	--	01
25	Sikar	--	--	01
	<b>Total</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>10104</b>	<b>23</b>

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