

Slash in budget of the Tribal Affairs

1995. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Expenditure has slashed the budget of the Tribal Affairs in the current financial year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the budget cut would directly affect implementation of Welfare Programmes of Scheduled Tribes including development of primitive tribal groups; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RANEE NARAH): (a) to (d) The Department of Expenditure has revised the budget any provision for the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the year 2012-13 from Rs.4090.00 crore (at Budget Estimate stage) to Rs.3100 crore (at the Revised Budget Estimate State).

Because of the revision, scheme-wise allocation of the Ministry has been revised as under:

Name of scheme	BE 2012-13	RE 2012-2013
A. Special Central Assistance	2517.00	1672.54
B. Central Sector Scheme	548.00	401.18
C. Centrally Sponsored Programme	1025.00	1026.28
TOTAL:	4090.00	3100.00

Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs) is a Central Sector Scheme for which Budget of Rs. 240 crore was allocated at BE stage which has been revised at Rs. 174.50 crore at RE stage, after revision of the budget to the Ministry.

Irregularities in the implementation of project in Tribal States

1996. SHRI BAISHNAB PARIDA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: