

**Korva and Birhor tribals in Chhattisgarh**

1271. SHRI RANVIJAY SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether condition of tribals specially Korvas and Birhors in Chhattisgarh in Jashpur, Sarguja and Korba districts is bad;

(b) whether previously Government had given special package for Korva tribals which was later discontinued; and

(c) what the Central Government will do for their upliftment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) For the development of Pahari Korva, the Government of Chhattisgarh has set up "Pahari Korva Vikas Abhikaran" (Pahari Korba Development Agency). Further, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has been implementing a 100% Central Sector Scheme namely "Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group" for overall development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) in the country, including the PVTGs in Chhattisgarh. Under the Scheme, Ministry provides 100% financial assistance through State Governments for activities including housing, land distribution and land development, agricultural development, animal husbandry, construction of link roads, installation of non-conventional sources of energy or other innovative activities for the comprehensive socio-economic development of PVTGs.

**Employment scheme for Scheduled Tribes**

†1272. DR. SANJAY SINH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the population of Scheduled Tribes in the country including the State of Assam as per the Census 2011;

(b) the names of the employment schemes being run for the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes;

(c) the year-wise number of persons of the Scheduled Tribes in the State of Assam, who benefited from these schemes in the last three years; and

(d) whether there is any proposal for any special project for the Scheduled Tribe- dominated area of the North-Eastern Region including Assam?

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