

**MSP for minor forest produce scheme**

4455. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an evaluation of the Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produce scheme, so far;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the main findings of the evaluation; and

(c) whether different States are notifying different products for the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR): (a) No, Sir. The scheme of 'Mechanism for marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chain for MFP' was introduced in the year 2013-14. As sufficient time has not elapsed to assess the impact of this scheme, no evaluation study has been undertaken so far.

(b) Question does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

(c) Government of India has notified 23 minor forest products/produces under the centrally sponsored scheme of 'Mechanism for marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chain for MFP'. State Governments are, however, free to notify different products as per their availability and preponderance in the particular State, though they will not be covered under this scheme.

**Implementation of Centrally Sponsored flagship scheme**

4456. SHRIMATI THOTA SEETHARAMA LAKSHMI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) including flagship programmes being implemented by the Ministry, at present; and

(b) the details of targets and allocations made, funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for these schemes during the last three years including present year, scheme-wise and State and UT-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR): (a) Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy for overall development of tribal people across the country, which includes support for education, health, sanitation, water supply, skill development,