Malnutrition related mortality in PVTGs

1558. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware that malnutrition-led mortality is rising among Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) and if so, details thereof; and
 - (b) the steps taken by Government to improve its human development indices?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA): (a) No such details have been reported to Ministry of Tribal Affairs in recent past.

(b) Government has been implementing several schemes/programmes aimed at improving human development indices like Integrated Child Development Services and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana of Ministry of Women and Child Development, National Health Mission and Mission Indradhanush of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Mid-Day Meals Scheme and Samagra Shiksha of Ministry of Human Resources Development, Drinking Water and Total Sanitation Campaign of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Targeted Public Distribution System of Department of Food and Public Distribution etc. Apart from giving grants for gap filling in respect of sectors like education, health etc., Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides untied funds for demand driven interventions for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).

Pending proposals of Maharashtra for inclusion in MADA

1559. SHRI SAMBHAJI CHHATRAPATI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposals of Maharashtra for inclusion of 36 Modified Area Development Approach (MADA) and 7 mini MADA pockets to existing Tribal Sub-Plan, besides inclusion of Kawadadara in Igatpuri Tehsil, District Nashik and Shindkhede Tehsil, District Dhule are pending for approval since February, 2017;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) whether any time line is fixed for clearance of such proposals?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA): (a) to (c) No. The Government of Maharashtra *vide* letter dated 27.02.2017 had submitted a revised proposal for inclusion of 36 Modified Area Development Approach (MADA) and 7 MINI MADA Pockets to existing Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) area and inclusion of Kawadadara MADA

pocket of Igatpuri Tahsil, District Nasik and 1 Mini MADA pocket in Shindkhede Tahsil of Dhule district. However in view of certain discrepancies, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs *vide* letter dated 11.1.2018 requested the State Government of Maharashtra, to reconsider and revise their proposal and to submit a fresh consolidated proposal alongwith geographical maps and population data as per Census 2011. As such, no proposal of Maharashtra for inclusion of MADA, Mini MADA pockets in Tribal Sub-Plan area, is pending in this Ministry.

Implementation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes

1560. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) that are currently being implemented by the Ministry to tackle women and child related issues in the country with the help of State Governments and NGOs;
- (b) the funds sanctioned for the States by the Central Government under those schemes and the expenditure incurred thereon during the last three years;
- (c) whether these schemes are not being implemented properly in various parts of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for their proper implementation?

THE MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Umbrella schemes - Umbrella ICDS and Mission for Empowerment and Protection for Women across the country. The details of major schemes are as under:—

1. Umbrella ICDS

(i) The Anganwadi Services Scheme is a unique programme for early childhood care and development. It offers a package of six services, viz. Supplementary Nutrition, Pre-School Non-Formal Education, Nutrition and Health Education, Immunization, Health Check-Up and Referral Services. The beneficiaries under the scheme are children in the age group of 0-6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers.