GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1899 ANSWERED ON - 10/03/2021

CHALLENGES FACED BY NOMADIC TRIBES

1899. DR. VIKAS MAHATME

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

(a) whether the Shepards and Nomadic Tribe are migrating for livelihood, and it affects the health and education of their family and children, if so, whether there is there any plan of Government to give stability and source of income for these Nomadic Tribes;

(b) whether there are any scheme through which Government can provide them land, shelter and schools at one place, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of girls to boys ratio in education of Nomadic tribes after 7th standard, and the steps the Ministry is taking to narrow down this difference?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) Yes Sir, Nomads and Semi-Nomads are social groups who undertakes a fairly frequent, usually seasonal physical movement as part of their livelihood strategy and moves from one place to another.

Ministry/Department of Social Justice and Empowerment vide Gazette Notification dated 21.02.2019 has constituted Development and Welfare Board for Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) for Development and Welfare of Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities for a period of three years extendable upto 5 years with following responsibilities:

- To formulate and implement Welfare and Development programmes, as required, for Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities.
- To identify the locations/areas where these communities are densely populated.

- To assess and identify gaps in accessing existing programmes and entitlements and to collaborate with Ministries/implementing agencies to ensure that ongoing programmes meet the special requirements of De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities.
- To monitor and evaluate the progress of the schemes of Government of India and the States/UTs with reference to Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities.
- (b) There is no such scheme in this Department.

(c) The Department is implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for educational upliftment of De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes (DNTs) namely Dr. Ambedkar Pre & Post Matric Scholarship for students through Implementing Agencies (States/UTs). The scheme of Pre-matric Scholarship for DNT students is helpful in spreading education amongst DNT children especially the girl child.
