## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1102

**TO BE ANSWERED ON- 31/07/2024** 

### POPULATION DETAILS OF PVTGS IN INDIA

1102 DR. SASMIT PATRA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise population details of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) in India since last five years and PVTG-specific tribal group-wise format;
- (b) the reasons for the decline in population of any of these PVTG tribal groups, the details on a PVTG specific tribal group format in case there is a decline; and
- (c) the steps taken to ensure that the population decline in these specific PVTG groups if any is reversed and population increased?

#### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) to (c): As the enumeration of tribes other than STs has not been done separately in any of the decadal Censuses since 1951 Census, the population figure/trend for the PVTGs communities as a whole is not available centrally. Also, since the population figures are not collected annually, the population trend for last five years is not available. However, information, as provided by the Office of Registrar General of India, on the State-wise decadal population for PVTGs does not show decreasing population of these tribes.

In view the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN), the Ministry of Tribal Affairs through the State Governments/ UT Administration/departments have undertaken habitation level data collection exercise through PM Gati Shakti mobile application to estimate PVTG population figures and infrastructure gaps in order to cover PVTG beneficiaries / PVTG villages & habitations under PMJANMAN Mission. Based on the data captured (as on 20.07.2024), the number of PVTGs, State-wise, are tabulated at **Annexure-I**.

#### **Annexure I**

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1102 for answer on 31.07.2024 raised Dr. Sasmit Patra regarding "Population details of PVTGs in India"

Estimate of PVTG population based on the mobile application-based habitation survey by State Governments / UT Administrations/department (as on 20.07.2024)

S.No	State*	<b>PVTG Population</b>
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	483408
2	CHHATTISGARH	233450
3	GUJARAT	153516
4	JHARKHAND	377225
5	KARNATAKA	57047
6	KERALA	29511
7	MADHYA PRADESH	1209630
8	MAHARASHTRA	623100
9	ODISHA	300436
10	RAJASTHAN	128456
11	TAMIL NADU	381699
12	TELANGANA	63194
13	TRIPURA	272067
14	UTTAR PRADESH	3527
15	UTTARAKHAND	92233
16	WEST BENGAL	62315
17	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	191
Total Population		4471005

<sup>\*</sup>The State of Bihar and Manipur have not yet shared the data.

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