

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHEMES THROUGH NGOs  
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**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether some schemes are being implemented by his Ministry through the Non-Governmental Organisations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of budgetary provisions made for these schemes in the current budget?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a) to (b): Several schemes are being implemented through S&T based Non-Governmental Organisations namely Science & Technology Application for Rural Development, Science & Technology Application for Weaker Sections, Science & Technology for Women, S&T for Strategic Needs of Scheduled Castes under Special Component Plan, Empowerment of Tribal Population through S&T under Tribal Sub Plan, Bio-technology based Programme for Rural Areas and Bio-technology based Programme for Women. These schemes primarily aim at research, design, development, adaptation and dissemination of technology to the weaker sections of the society so that they derive benefit in terms of enhanced income, reduced drudgery and in general an improved quality of life. Apart from successful technology packages developed through these programmes, the schemes have also demonstrated the successful interface between S&T based voluntary organisations, R&D and Technology Institutions. This has helped to evolve effective systems of technology generation and transfer for sustainable livelihoods amongst the weaker sections of the community.

Apart from these, schemes for Science Communication and Popularization and Natural Resource Data Management System are also being implemented through research or academic institutions and science based voluntary organisations are important partners in field level activities.

(c) Details of budgetary provisions made for these Schemes for 2003-2004 are:

Sl. No Name of the Scheme Budget Provision (2003 - 04)

1.Science & Society Programmes Rs. 550 Lakhs

2.Women Component Plan Rs. 250 Lakhs

3.Special Component Plan Rs. 250 Lkhs

4.Tribal Sub Plan Rs. 250 Lakhs

5.Science Communication and Popularisation Rs. 400 Lakhs

6.Biotechnology based Programme for Rural Areas Rs 200.Lakhs

7Biotechnology based Programme for Women Rs.300 Lakhs

8.Natural Resource Data Management System Rs.200 Lakhs