

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SPECIAL COMPONENT PLAN FOR STs
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the special measures taken by the Government for Scheduled Tribes under the special component plan for STs; and
- (b) the total amount allocated for this purpose during the current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

- (a) The Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP) is given by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs to 21 Tribal Sub-Plan States with the objective of filling the critical gaps in the family-based employment-cum-income generation activities and the infrastructure incidental thereto not only family-based, but also run by the Self-Help Groups (SHGs)/Community. The ultimate objective of extending SCA to TSP is to boost the demand based income-generation programmes and thus raise the economic and social status of tribals.
- (b) During the current financial year, an amount of Rs.497.00 crore has been budgeted for the SCA to TSP.