

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2562
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FACILITIES TO THE TRIBALS OF ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide greater facilities to the tribals of Andaman and Nicobar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the backward population there has been recognized/included in the SC/ST List;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM):

(a) and (b) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements various schemes/programmes for the welfare and development of tribals in all the States/UTs, including the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. A list of the schemes/programmes is enclosed as Statement. These Schemes do not provide for any extra facilities to the tribals of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

(c) to (e) As per the Constitution (Andaman & Nicobar Islands) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1959, the following communities have been notified as Scheduled Tribes:—

1. Andamanese, Chariar, Chari, Koa, Tabo, Bo, Yere, Kede, Bea, Balawa, Bojigiyab, Juwai, Kol
2. Jarawas
3. Nicobarese
4. Onges
5. Sentinelese
6. Shompens

No Community is specified as a Scheduled Caste in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) (Union territories) Order, 1951.

Statement

Major Schemes/Programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the welfare and development of Scheduled Tribes

1. Special Central Assistance to the Tribal Sub Plan
2. Grants under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution
3. Girls Hostels for Scheduled Tribes
4. Boys Hostels of Scheduled Tribes
5. Establishment of Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub-Plan Areas

6. Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of STs
- 7 Research & Training
8. Grant-in-aid to State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations for Minor Forest Produce.
9. Educational Complex in Low Literacy Pockets for Development of ST Girls in Tribal Areas.
10. Vocational training in Tribal Areas
11. Village Grain Bank Scheme
12. Development of Primitive Tribal Groups
13. Post Matric Scholarship for ST Students
14. National Overseas Scholarship Scheme for STs
15. Coaching and Allied Scheme for STs
16. Upgradation of Merit of ST Students
17. Book Bank Scheme for ST Students
18. State Tribal Development Finance Corporation
19. Exchange of Visits by Tribals