

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:693  
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SCHEMES/ PROGRAMMES FOR REMOVAL OF POVERTY  
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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have introduced any special programme for removal of poverty among tribals in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to implement the above schemes for the welfare of tribals in the country?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM):

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs supplements the schemes of States and UTs by providing cent percent grant under the Scheme for Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan for filling critical gaps under income generating projects, and granting loans through the National Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation and through State channelising agencies.