

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SKILL UPGRADATION
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the name of the States where skill upgradation scheme for the students of Scheduled Tribes is being run by the Central Government and the basis to obtain this scheme ;
- (b) the number of children of Scheduled Tribes benefited by this scheme during current year, State-wise; and
- (c) the amount allocated for the implementation of this scheme during the said period, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a) The Scheme of Upgradation of Merit is run for all the States and Union Territories. 370 awards each for the class IX, X, XI, and XII are distributed among the concerned States and Union Territories on the basis of tribal population of the respective States.

(b) As per information available with the Ministry the number of children who have availed of the benefit of this scheme during the current financial year (till date), State-wise is given below:-

S.No.	Name of State	No. of Beneficiaries
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| 1. | Sikkim | 15 |
| 2. | Tripura | 16 |
| 3. | Chhatisgarh | 140 |

(c) There is no State-wise allocation of funds under this Scheme. There is a lumpsum allocation of Rs. 99.00 lakhs for the year 2004-05 under this scheme.