

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
(MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS)  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1161**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 19.09.2020

**SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME FOR ADIVASIS**

1161 SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to make any social security scheme specifically for Adivasis;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons there for?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

**(a) to (c):** Yes, sir.

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is likely to make a Social Security Scheme for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG).

Ministry of Tribal Affairs is also administering the scheme of 'Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chain for MFP' under which it is ensured that the gatherers of Minor Forest Produce, most of whom belong to Scheduled Tribes, get fair returns for their efforts in collection of the notified forest produce. Further, Government has introduced the Van Dhan Vikas Karyakram under this scheme to improve the skills of the MFP gatherers in sustainable cultivation of MFPs, their Value Addition, providing necessary tools and facilities, etc. which will further improve the returns to the beneficiaries.

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