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Ministry of Tribal Affairs

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Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy for overall development of tribal people living across the country, which includes support for education, health, sanitation, water supply, skill development, livelihood etc. Major part of infrastructure development and provision of basic amenities in tribal areas / regions in the country is carried out through various schemes / programmes of concerned Central Ministries and the State Governments concerned, while the Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides additive to these initiatives by way of plugging critical gaps. There is no proposal for introducing new schemes. The present schemes being implemented by the Ministry for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes. Review of existing schemes is a regular process and areas requiring emphasis are strengthened. The details of beneficiaries under some schemes of the Ministry, where available, during the last three years is as under: -

SI. No.	Name of the Scheme	No. of Beneficiaries		
		2015-16	2016- 17	201
1	Grants-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the Welfare of Scheduled Tribes	634119	944281	181
2	Strengthening Education among ST girls in Low Literacy Districts	36116	29708	354
3	Vocational Training Centre in Tribal Areas (NGO component)	-	480	146
4	Article 275(1) of the Constitution – Beneficiaries under EMRSs	44691	51959	567
5	Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme & Article 275(1) of the Constitution – Beneficiaries under Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	82200	61989	713
6	Supports to National / State Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporations	92824	107026	423

In recent years, no study has been conducted by the Ministry regarding impact of these schemes in improving the quality of life.

This information was given by the Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Shri. Jaswantsinh Bhabhor in Rajya Sabha today.

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