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Most Immediate/Parliament Question

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No.16013/25/02-S&M
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

New Delhi, November 27, 2002

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To

The State Secretaries-in-charge of
Tribal Development Departments
(As per the list attached)

Subject: Notice of Rajya Sabha Provisionally admitted Question Dy. No.3928 for
answer on 2.12.2002 by Shri Janeshwar Mishra regarding "Killing of witch
women in tribal communities"

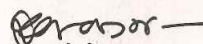
Sir,

I am directed to say that this Ministry has received a notice of the above
mentioned Question, which seeks the following information:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a few incidents of killing of some women by
terming them "witch" have taken place in several tribal communities
for the past;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Ojha group of these tribal
communities are largely responsible for such inhuman incidents;
- (c) if so, the detail of such incidents community-wise; and
- (d) the action Government are taking to make this Ojha group literate and
humane?

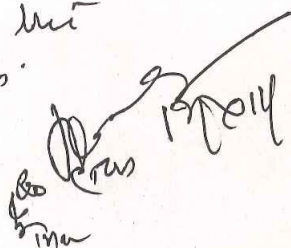
2. It is requested that the part-wise information sought in the Question pertaining
to your State/UT may kindly be furnished to this Ministry urgently by return Fax
No. 3073160/3073607.

Yours faithfully,


(P.K. Varma)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

to put up in the
relevant file.


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