

(d)	The details of the various Tribal Communities in Tamil Nadu, their population, the area of habitation and various schemes in operation to enhance their living standards;	Does not arise.
(e)	Whether the reports of Anthropological Survey of India is the only authoritative source for the classification of Tribes of various nature; and	Not concerned to this Department.
(f)	if so, the details in this regard ?	Does not arise.

### SUPPLEMENTARY

The Department of Fisheries is implementing Tribal Sub-Plan for the development of Tribal areas as well as for the upliftment of the tribal population. The programmes, which have been included in the IXth Five Year Plan for the tribal areas under Tribal Sub-Plan mainly includes :-

1. Construction of Ice Plant & Cold Storage in Nicobar.
2. Providing of subsidies for purchase of Fish Transport Vehicle, Deep freezer to the Tribal Cooperative Societies for improving the marketing of fish.
3. Supply of Essential Fishery Requisites to tribes on 50% subsidy.
4. Financial assistance to the tribes for procurement of Navigational aids.
5. 50% subsidy for construction of boat.
6. Demonstration of mechanised fishing in tribal areas.
7. Study tour for progressive fish farmers/ fishermen/ tribal fishermen to mainland.
8. Construction of Fish market.
9. Creating of various technical and non-technical posts.
10. Construction of quarters and other allied facilities in the tribal area.

The Department is conducting Nine months Fishermen training course for the benefit of tribals as well as non-tribal candidates for taking up Self-employment. In addition to this, Short term training programmes is also organised by the Department from time to time for the benefit of tribals as well as non-tribals on various Fisheries related aspects such as repair of Inboard engine, culture of fish etc. The tribals are also taken on study tour to mainland to get acquainted with the recent development in the field of Fisheries.

It is requested that suitable reply on the Lok Sabha Question may kindly be sent to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs by return fax (No.3384918).

Yours faithfully,

  
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