## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Subject: Monthly update on status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dweller (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.

Reference Prime Minister's Office I.D. No.560/51/C/2/08-ES.2 dated 7<sup>th</sup>May 2008 on the above-mentioned subject.

2. Status report on the implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 as desired, is sent herewith.

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PMO (Shri. Rajesh Kumar Sahu, DS, PMO), South Block, New Delhi M/o Tribal Affairs' I.D. No.23011/3/2016-FRA dated U December 2024.

## Copy to:

1. Cabinet Secretariat (Ms. Kavita Singh, Joint Secretary)

2. NITI Aayog (Ms.Sanayukta Samaddar, OSD)

3. Director (NIC), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, with the request that this status report (Annex-I, Annex-II, Annex-III and Annex-IV) may be put up on the Ministry's website (www.tribal.nic.in) under an appropriate heading.

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- PS to Hon'ble MTA
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MoS (TA)
- 3. PPS to Secretary (TA)

#### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Status report on implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 [for the period ending 31.10.2024]

#### Readiness of the States in the implementation of the Act:

- (i) An updated status of State-wise implementation of the Act is given in Annexure-I. As per the information collected till now; 50,67,648 claims (48,700,26 individual and 197,622 community claims) have been filed and 24,88,786 titles (23,73,036 individual and 1,15,750 community titles) have been distributed.
- (ii) A total of 42, 50,513 (83.88%) claims have been disposed of.
- (iii) A statement on claims received and distribution of title deeds in various states, as in **Annexure-II**, is being maintained.

(ii) State wise details of claims received, titles distributed and the extent of forest land for which titles distributed (individual and community), as on 31.10.2024, in major States, is indicated below:

S. No.	States	No. of Claims received upto 31.10.2024			No.	of Titles Distri upto 31.10.202	990/801/2570/201	Extent of Forest land for which titles distributed (in acres)			
		Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	8	9	10	
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,870	3,294	288,164	226,434	1,822	228,256	454,423	526,454	980,877.00	
2	Assam	148,965	6,046	155,011	57,325	1,477	58,802	NA/NR	NA/NR	NA/NR	
3	Bihar	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	121	0	121	NA/NR	NA/NR	NA/NR	
4	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	947,277.70	5,146,706.20	6,093,983.90	
5	Goa	9,758	378	10,136	856	15	871	1,506.80	18.66	1,525.45	
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,690	4,791	102,481	165,954.90	1,240,680.15	1,406,635.06	
7	Himachal Pradesh	4,880	466	5,346	256	59	315	50.92	11,180.74	11,231.66	
8	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970	153,395.86	103,758.97	257,154.83	
9	Karnataka	288,549	5,940	294,489	14,981	1,345	16,326	20,077.30	36,340.52	56,417.82	
10	Kerala	44,455	991	45,446	29,139	258	29,397	38,597.80	788,651.25	827,249.05	
11	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	294,877	903,533.06	1,463,614.46	2,367,147.52	
12	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407	206,911	568,497.37	3,302,498.77	3,870,996.15	
13	Odisha	666,066	22,311	688,377	461,013	8,162	469,175	672,892.59	412,831.03	1,085,723.62	
14	Rajasthan	113,140	9,055	122,195	49,193	2,973	52,166	70,358.04	282,112.96	352,471.00	
15	Tamil Nadu	34,877	2,584	37,461	10,536	531	11,067	9,626.44	NA/NR	9,626.44	
16	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249	230,735	721	231,456	669,689.14	457,663.17	1,127,352.32	
17	Tripura	200,557	164	200,721	127,931	101	128,032	465,192.88	552.40	465,745.28	
18	Uttar Pradesh	92,577	1,162	93,739	18,049	861	18,910	19,190.27	120,776.00	139,966.27	
19	Uttarakhand	3,587	3,091	6,678	184	1	185	0.00	0.00	0.00	
20	West Bengal	131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130	21,014.27	572.03	21,586.29	
21	Jammu & Kashmir	32,207	10,224	42,431	315	4,190	4,505	NA/NR	NA/NR	NA/NR	
	TOTAL	4,870,026	197,622	5,067,648	2,373,036	115,750	2,488,786	5,181,278.34	13,894,411.32	19,075,689.66	

NA/NR-Related figure is either not available or not reported.

# Statement showing State-wise status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act. 2006 as on 31.10.2024

S.No.  Apptmnt of NodalOffcr  LC Formation of Committee  IMC Formation of Committee  Awareness - Act and Rules  Training of officials  Constitute of FRCs  and  Claims Recommed to  Claims Recommed to  DLC  and  DLC approved Claims  all  all	Titles Distributed	Forest land given (in H	Claims Rejected  Title deeds distrbtn date  Problems / Remarks
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13 Odisha Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y 9 666066 22311 688377 561696 11407 573103 482459 10707 493466 467431 10605 477326 4640		230063 1336475 1566538	77088 492 77580 8
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15 Tamil Nadu Y Y Y Y Y Y Y 34877 2584 37461 21394 1935 23329 11670 1452 13122 10696 1297 11903 1057		28473 114167 142640	
16 Telangana Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y S 651822 3427 655249 230735 721 231456 230735 721 231456 230735 721 231456 230735 721 231456 230735		3896 NA 3896	13841 1008 14849 0
17 Tripura Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y 200557 164 200721 153113 144 153257 136299 138 136437 131692 101 131793 12707		271014 185210 456225 188257 224 188481	92744 1682 94426
18 Uttar Pr. Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y 92577 1162 93739 82598 1048 83646 22703 861 23479 18049 861 18910 1804			68785 63 68848 0
19 Uttarakhand Y Y Y Y Y Y 3587 3091 6678 NA NA - NA NA - 0 0 0 0 18	184 1 185		74460 301 74761
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NA- The States have been reporting data pertaining to titles distributed, while data pertaining to DLC approved claims by many of the State Government have not been furnished for the same period, indicated as NA in MPR.

SDLC - Sub-Divisional Level Committee

GS - Gram Sabha

Ind - Individual Forest Rights / Claims

DLC - District Level Committee

Y-Yes

Comm - Community Forest Rights / Claims

SLMC - State Level Monitoring Committee

N - No

FRC - Forest Rights Committee

S. No.	State/UT	Title Deeds Distribution date	Problems / Remarks
1	Arunachal Pradesh	-	State Government has informed that Arunachal Pradesh is a 100 % tribal dominated State and almost all lands are wholly possessed by the various ethnic tribal groups. As such there is no instance of eviction of forest dwellers who have been dwelling in the Forest even before implementation of the Act, 2006. Consequently, there are no claims of Forest received under the Act, 2006.
2	Haryana	-	The State Govt. has informed that there are no Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers living in the forests of Haryana.
3	Manipur	-	The State Government of Manipur has informed that there has been no substantial progress in the implementation of the Act due to the face that apart from reserved forest/ wildlife sanctuaries the tribal communities and Tribal Chiefs are already holding ownership of forest land as they are ancestral land. Therefore, implementation of said Act is likely to be very minimum.
4	Meghalaya	<u>-</u>	The State Government has submitted that it has 76.44% area under forest cover amongst which only 5.10% area is under direct administrative control of the State Forest Department in the form of Reserved Forest, Protected Forest, protected areas, and rest of the Forest areas are either privately or community owned. The major portion of forest areas are owned and administered by the traditional institutions like Syiem, Dolloi, Nokma and communities are enjoying surface rights and sub-surface rights since time immoral. It was further stated that Gram Sabha is absent due to application of 6 <sup>th</sup> Schedule Area. The State Government is in the process of identifying suitable institution or elected village committee to substitute the Gram Sabha to facilitate implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights), Act, 2006.
5	Mizoram	-	State Government informed that being a Sixth Schedule state, nearly 100% of the population of Mizoram are Scheduled Tribe and is sharing common ownership of non-reserved forest land under the jurisdiction of every village. Hence, the issue of deprivation or rejection of rights never arise till date as forest ownership rights was recognized and vested in the hands of the community of every village since time immemorial. Recently, Governor of Mizoram has passed an order dated 21.08.2024 to adopt the implementation of FRA in Mizoram State.
6	Nagaland	-	Government of Nagaland informed that in the State of Nagaland, the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 is not applicable in view of the provisions of Article 371 A of the Constitution which gives special status to the State of Nagaland with regard to the rights of the people over land and its resources. The inhabitants of the State are predominantly tribal with distinct linguistic, culture, tradition, customs, and socio-political characteristics and also the land and Forests belongs to the private

7	Sikkim		individuals, clans or community in the villages and land holding and resources therein are governed by traditional and customary practices of the people. That the said Article also specifically provides that No Act of Parliament in respect of ownership and transfer of land and its resources, shall apply to the State of Nagaland unless the Legislative Assembly of Nagaland by a resolution so decides. That in view of the said provision of the Constitution, there is no resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly to make the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 applicable to the State of Nagaland.  In Sikkim, there are no Forest Dwelling STs and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers in the true sense of the terms. Most of the STs of Sikkim hold revenue land in their own name and they are not solely dependent on
8	A&N Islands		the forests for their livelihood.  The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has informed that the area inhabited by the Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territory Andaman and Nicobar Islands has been declared as Reserved Areas under The Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes), their interests are fully protected under the said Regulation by exclusively preserving the area for them in which they enjoy unfettered rights to use forests products for their bonafide use, so no claim as such is therefore settlement under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. And nobody qualifies for being the traditional forest dwellers having resided on the forest/land/tribal reserve for the bonafide livelihood needs for three generations (75 years), prior to 13.12.2005 for the purpose of recognition of forest right under the above said Act. However, for the month of January 2022, the UT has reported NIL information for the first time.
9	D&N Haveli Daman & Diu	ie.	Administration of Daman & Diu has informed that as per records of Forest Department, no village in the District of Daman and Diu has been declared as forest village so far
10	Lakshadweep		The UT Administration has intimated that there are no terrestrial forests and no forest tribes or traditional forest dwellers in Lakshadweep.
11	Puducherry	-	The UT has submitted that there are no recorded forests i.e. Reserved or Protected Forest land in Puducherry. The notified Scheduled Tribes in the UT does not reside on Forest Land hence as such the "Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006"is not applicable to the Union Territory of Puducherry
12	Ladakh	7 <u>2</u> 4	Ladakh has also started the process of FRA and furnished the nil data for MPR.

### Annexure -II

# (A) Statement of Claims and distribution of title deeds under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as on 31.10.2024:

S. No.	States	No. of Claims received upto 30.09.2024			Claims received No. of Claims received upto 31.10.2024				No. of Titles Distributed upto 30.09.2024			Title deeds distributed/ ready	No. of Titles Distributed upto 31.10.2024		
		Individual	Community	Total	the current month	Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	during the current month	Individual	Community	Total
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,685	3,294	287,979	185	284,870	3,294	288,164	226,297	1,822	228,119	137	226,434	1,822	228,256
2	Assam	148,965	6,046	155,011	0	148,965	6,046	155,011	57,325	1,477	58,802	0	57,325	1,477	58,802
3	Bihar	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	0	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	121	0	121	0	121	0	121
4	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	0	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	0	478,563	49,270	527,833
5	Goa	9,758	378	10,136	0	9,758	378	10,136	856	15	871	0	856	15	871
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	0	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,690	4,791	102,481	0	97,690	4,791	102,481
7	Himachal Pradesh	4,880	466	5,346	0	4,880	466	5,346	256	59	315	0	256	59	315
8	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	0	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970	0	59,866	2,104	61,970
9	Karnataka	288,549	5,940	294,489	0	288,549	5,940	294,489	14,981	1,345	16,326	0	14,981	1,345	16,326
10	Kerala	44,455	991	45,446	0	44,455	991	45,446	28,972	258	29,230	167	29,139	258	29,397
11	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	0	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	294,877	0	266,901	27,976	294,877
12	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	0	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407	206,911	0	198,504	8,407	206,911
13	Odisha	666,050	21,799	687,849	528	666,066	22,311	688,377	460,969	8,032	469,001	174	461,013	8,162	469,175
14	Rajasthan	113,140	9,055	122,195	0	113,140	9,055	122,195	49,193	2,973	52,166	0	49,193	2,973	52,166
15	Tamil Nadu	34,877	2,584	37,461	0	34,877	2,584	37,461	10,536	531	11,067	0	10,536	531	11,067
16	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249	0	651,822	3,427	655,249	230,735	721	231,456	0	230,735	721	231,456
17	Tripura	200,557	164	200,721	0	200,557	164	200,721	127,931	101	128,032	0	127,931	101	128,032
18	Uttar Pradesh	92,577	1,162	93,739	0	92,577	1,162	93,739	18,049	861	18,910	0	18,049	861	18,910
19	Uttarakhand	3,587	3,091	6,678	0	3,587	3,091	6,678	184	1	185	0	184	1	185
20	West Bengal	131,962	10,119	142,081	0	131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130	0	44,444	686	45,130
21	Jammu & Kashmir	32,207	10,224	42,431	0	32,207	10,224	42,431	315	4,190	4,505	0	315	4,190	4,505
	TOTAL	4,869,825	197,110	5,066,935	713	4,870,026	197,622	5,067,648	2,372,688	115,620	2,488,308	478	2,373,036	115,750	2,488,786

(B) Statement of Claims and Distribution of title deeds under The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as on 31.10.2024:

	States	No. of Claims received upto 31.10.2024			No. of	Titles Distribut 31.10.2024	ted upto	N follo	Total No. of	% Claims disposed	% of Titles distributed
S. No.		Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	No. of Claims Rejected	Claims Disposed off	off with respect to claims received	number of claims received
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,870	3,294	288,164	226,434	1,822	228,256	58,404	286,660	99.48%	79.21%
2	Assam	148,965	6,046	155,011	57,325	1,477	58,802	NA/NR	58,802	37.93%	37.93%
3	Bihar	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	121	0	12 <b>1</b>	4,215	4,336	54.05%	1.51%
4	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	400,649	928,482	98.57%	56.03%
5	Goa	9,758	378	10,136	856	15	871	54	925	9.13%	8.59%
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,690	4,791	102,481	2,332	104,813	55.15%	53.92%
7	Himachal Pradesh	4,880	466	5,346	256	59	315	54	369	6.90%	5.89%
8	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970	28,107	90,077	81.33%	55.95%
9	Karnataka	288,549	5,940	294,489	14,981	1,345	16,326	253,269	269,595	91.55%	5.54%
10	Kerala	44,455	991	45,446	29,139	258	29,397	12,977	42,374	93.24%	64.69%
11	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	294,877	322,407	617,284	98.37%	46.99%
12	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407	206,911	77,580	284,491	70.80%	51.50%
13	Odisha	666,066	22,311	688,377	461,013	8,162	469,175	144,680	613,855	89.17%	68.16%
14	Rajasthan	113,140	9,055	122,195	49,193	2,973	52,166	67,848	120,014	98.22%	42.69%
15	Tamil Nadu	34,877	2,584	37,461	10,536	531	11,067	14,849	25,916	69.18%	29.54%
16	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249	230,735	721	231,456	94,426	325,882	49.73%	35.32%
17	Tripura	200,557	164	200,721	127,931	101	128,032	68,848	196,880	98.09%	63.79%
18	Uttar Pradesh	92,577	1,162	93,739	18,049	861	18,910	74,761	93,671	99.93%	20.17%
19	Uttarakhand	3,587	3,091	6,678	184	1	185	6,493	6,678	100.00%	2.77%
20	West Bengal	131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130	96,587	141,717	99.74%	31.76%
21	Jammu & Kashmir	32,207	10,224	42,431	315	4,190	4,505	33,187	37,692	88.83%	10.62%
	TOTAL	4,870,026	197,622	5,067,648	2,373,036	115,750	2,488,786	1,761,727	4,250,513	83.88%	49.11%

Annexure-III

Status of Implementation of The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 in the Left-Wing Extremism (LWE) States as on 31.10.2024:

S. No.	States	N	o. of Claims rec upto 31.10.20		N	o. of Titles Distr upto 31.10.20		No. of	Total No. of Claims Disposed off	% Claims disposed off with respect to claims received
		Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	Rejected		
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,870	3,294	288,164	226,434	1,822	228,256	58,404	286,660	99.48%
2	Bihar	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	121	NA/NR	121	4,215	4,336	54.05%
3	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	400,649	928,482	98.57%
4	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970	28,107	90,077	81.33%
5	Kerala	44,455	991	45,446	29,139	258	29,397	12,977	42,374	93.24%
6	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	294,877	322,407	617,284	98.37%
7	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407	206,911	77,580	284,491	70.80%
8	Odisha	666,066	22,311	688,377	461,013	8,162	469,175	144,680	613,855	S MARTINE SOL
9	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249	230,735	721	231,456	94,426	325,882	89.17%
10	Uttar Pradesh	92,577	1,162	93,739	18,049	861	18,910	74,761		49.73%
11	West Bengal	131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130		93,671	99.93%
	TOTAL	3,850,637	152,487	4,003,124	2,013,769	100,267	2,114,036	96,587 <b>1,314,793</b>	141,717 3,428,829	99.74% 