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 7thMay 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**st **March 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 \subseteq \s

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

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

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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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 31.03.2024]

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;50,27,124 claims (48,36,336 individual and 1,90,788 community claims) have been filed and 24,85,572 titles (23,70,378 individual and 1,15,194 community titles) have been distributed.
- (ii) A total of 42,44,897 (84.44 %) 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 31.03.2024, in major States, is indicated below:

S. No.	States	No. of Claims	eceived upto	31.03.2024	No. of	Titles Distribute 31.03.2024	ed upto	Extent of Forest land for which titles distributed (in acres)			
		Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	
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1	Andhra Pradesh	284,374	3,294	287,668	225,961	1,822	227,783	454,200	526,454	980,654.00	
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	•	
4	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	947,277.70	5,146,706.20	NA/NR	
5	Goa	9,758	378	10,136	647	15	662	1,049.88	18.41	6,093,983.90	
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,342	4,791	102,133	163,867.31		1,068.28	
7	Himachal Pradesh	4,880	466	5,346	256	59	315	50.92	1,240,680.15	1,404,547.46	
8	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970	153,395.86	11,180.74	11,231.66	
9	Karnataka	288,549	5,940	294,489	14,981	1,345	16,326		103,758.97	257,154.83	
10	Kerala	44,200	991	45,191	28,641	258	28,899	20,077.30	36,340.52	56,417.82	
11	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	294,877	38,045.62	772,386.21	810,431.83	
12	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407		903,533.06	1,463,614.46	2,367,147.52	
13	Odisha	633,631	15,477	649,108	459,974	7,838	206,911	568,497.37	3,302,498.77	3,870,996.15	
14	Rajasthan	112,636	9,055	121,691	49,102		467,812	671,924.21	374,843.41	1,046,767.62	
15	Tamil Nadu	34,877	2,584	37,461	10,536	2,741	51,843	68,948.51	280,668.19	349,616.70	
16	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249		531	11,067	9,626.44	NA/NR	9,626.44	
17	Tripura	200,557	164		230,735	721	231,456	669,689.14	457,663.17	1,127,352.32	
18	Uttar Pradesh	92,577		200,721	127,931	101	128,032	465,192.88	552.40	465,745.28	
19	Uttarakhand		1,162	93,739	18,049	861	18,910	19,190.27	120,776.00	139,966.27	
20	West Bengal	3,587	3,091	6,678	184	1	185	0.00	0.00	0.00	
21		131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130	21,014.27	572.03	21,586.29	
	Jammu & Kashmir	32,207	10,224	42,431	315	4,190	4,505	NA/NR	NA/NR	NA/NR	
TOTAL	•	4,836,336	190,788	5,027,124	2,370,378	115,194	2,485,572	5,175,580.74	13,838,713.63	19,014,294.37	

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 31.03.2024

State / UT		Apptmnt of NodalOffcr	Formation of Committees	0	Awareness - Act and Rules	0	Constitutn of FRCs		Claims filed at GS			Claims Recommnd to SDLC			Claims Recommnd. to DLC			DLC approved Claims			Titles Distributed			Forest land given (in Ha)			Claims Rejected		itle deeds distrbtn date Problems / Remarks
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^{*}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. As a result, the total of DLC approved claims has been reflected as lower than total of titles distributed.

#The figure of rejected community claims and title distributed under community claims with regard to Jharkhand State exceeds the figure of community claims received in the state is due to the figure reported for the rejected community claims for Ramgarh District of Jharkhand exceeds the received community claims.

SDLC - Sub-Divisional Level Committee

GS - Gram Sabha Y - Yes Ind - Individual Forest Rights / Claims

DLC - District Level Committee SLMC - State Level Monitoring Committee

N - No

Comm - Community Forest Rights / Claims

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	-	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, and 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 th 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.
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 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.

7	Sikkim	-	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 revenuland in their own name and they are not solely dependent on the forests for their livelihood.
8	A&N Islands	-	The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has informed that the area inhabite by the Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territory Andaman and Nicobar Island has been declared as Reserved Areas under The Andaman and Nicobar Island (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes), their interests are fully protected under the said Regulation by exclusively preserving the area for them in which they enjounfettered rights to use forests products for their bonafide use, so no claim a such is therefore settlement under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. And nobody qualifie for being the traditional forest dwellers having resided on the forest/land tribal reserve for the bonafide livelihood needs for three generations (79 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		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	-	Ladakh has also started the process of FRA and furnished the nil data for MPR.

(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 31.03.2024:

S. No.	States		s received upto	29.02.2024	Claims received during	No. of Claim	s received upto	31.03.2024	No. of Titl	es Distributed up	oto 29.02.2024	Title deeds distributed/ ready during	No. of Titles Distributed upto 31.03.2024			
		Individual	Community	Total	the current month	Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	the current month	Individual	Community	Total	
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,294	3,294	287,588	80	284,374	3,294	287,668	225,826	1,822	227,648	135	225,961	1,822	227,783	
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	647	15	662	0	647	15	662	
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	0	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,342	4,791	102,133	0	97,342	4,791	102,133	
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	44,200	991	45,191	0	44,200	991	45,191	28,641	258	28,899	0	28,641	258	28,899	
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	633,388	15,477	648,865	243	633,631	15,477	649,108	459,742	7,824	467,566	246	459,974	7,838	467,812	
14	Rajasthan	112,636	9,055	121,691	0	112,636	9,055	121,691	49,102	2,741	51,843	0	49,102	2,741	51,843	
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	4,836,013	190,788	5,026,801	323	4,836,336	190,788	5,027,124	2,370,011	115,180	2,485,191	381	2,370,378	115,194	2,485,572	

(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 31.03.2024:

S. No.	States	No. of Claims	received upto	31.03.2024	No. of	Titles Distribut 31.03.2024	ed upto	No. of Claims	Total No. of Claims	% Claims disposed off	% of Titles
		Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	Rejected	Disposed off	with respect to claims received	over number of claims received
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,374	3,294	287,668	225,961	1,822	227,783	58,293	286,076	99.45%	79.18%
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	121	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	647	15	662	49	711	7.01%	6.53%
6	Gujarat	182,869	7,187	190,056	97,342	4,791	102,133	2,332	104,465	54.97%	53.74%
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	44,200	991	45,191	28,641	258	28,899	12,233	41,132	91.02%	63.95%
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	633,631	15,477	649,108	459,974	7,838	467,812	144,439	612,251	94.32%	72.07%
14	Rajasthan	112,636	9,055	121,691	49,102	2,741	51,843	66,547	118,390	97.29%	42.60%
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	4,836,336	190,788	5,027,124	2,370,378	115,194	2,485,572	1,759,325	4,244,897	84.44%	49.44%

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 31.03.2024:

s.		No. of Clai	ms received up	to 31.03.2024	No. of Title	s Distributed u	pto 31.03.2024			% Claims
No.	States	Individual	Community	Total	Individual	Community	Total	No. of Claims Rejected	Total No. of Claims Disposed off	disposed off with respect to claims received
1	Andhra Pradesh	284,374	3,294	287,668	225,961	1,822	227,783	58,293	286,076	99.45%
2	Bihar	8,022	NA/NR	8,022	121	NA/NR	121	4,215	4,336	
3	Chhattisgarh	888,028	53,949	941,977	478,563	49,270	527,833	400,649		54.05%
4	Jharkhand	107,032	3,724	110,756	59,866	2,104	61,970		928,482	98.57%
5	Kerala	44,200	991	45,191	28,641	258		28,107	90,077	81.33%
6	Madhya Pradesh	585,326	42,187	627,513	266,901	27,976	28,899	12,233 322,407	41,132 617,284	91.02%
7	Maharashtra	390,477	11,323	401,800	198,504	8,407	206,911	77 500		
8	Odisha	633,631	15,477	649,108			467,812	77,580	284,491	70.80%
9	Telangana	651,822	3,427	655,249	459,974 230,735	7,838		1.44,439	612,251	94.32%
10	Uttar Pradesh	92,577	1,162			721	231,456	94,426	325,882	49.73%
11	West Bengal			93,739	18,049	861	18,910	74,761	93,671	99.93%
11		131,962	10,119	142,081	44,444	686	45,130	96,587	141,717	99.74%
	TOTAL	3,817,451	145,653	3,963,104	2,011,759	99,943	2,111,702	1,313,697	3,425,399	86.43%