F. No: 19012/01/2023-PC Government of India Ministry of Tribal Affairs (PC Division)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Dated: 29.06.2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary of Principal Activities for April, 2023.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the Summary of Principal Activities undertaken by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs during the month of April, 2023 for kind information.

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This is about important activities of Ministry of Tribal Affairs during the month of April, 2023.

National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC)

2. National Scheduled Tribes Finance and Development Corporation (NSTFDC) provides concessional financial assistance to eligible Scheduled Tribes for undertaking Self-Empowerment Ventures for their livelihood. In this regard, the status of targets and achievements for the year 2023-24 is as under:

(₹ in crore)

| Sl. No. | Items | Financial Year 2023-24 | | Performance during the |
|------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | Annual Target* | Achievement as on 30.04.2023 | corresponding period of previous year |
| 1 | Sanction | 250.00 | 5.93 | 2.19 |
| 2 | Disbursement | 250.00 | 25.01 | 21.85 |

- * Annual target towards sanction and disbursement has been worked out based upon the estimated fund availability during the financial year 2023-24. The same may vary in accordance with the proposals from the implementing agencies and fund available for disbursal.
- 2.1 Based on estimated fund availability during the year 2023-24, NSTFDC has earmarked ₹250 crore as Notional Allocation to the States/ UTs for the said year. Accordingly, Allocation Letters have been sent to the respective Channelizing agency(ies) with the request to forward loan proposals.
- 2.2 Director (Livelihood), Ministry of Tribal Affairs visited NSTFDC-H.O., New Delhi and had an interaction with the Project Department Officers to understand the mechanism of implementation of schemes of the Corporation and to explore new avenues for reaching out to the target group
- 2.3 In order to increase the outreach amongst the target group, NSTFDC has entered into an agreement with Rajasthan Marudhara Gramin Bank (RMGB). RMGB will be another agency for implementation of NSTFDC schemes in the state of Rajasthan.
- 2.4 Officials of India Posts Payment Bank (IPPB) visited NSTFDC office to explore the possibility of induction of IPPB as one of the implementing agencies of NSTFDC for advancing concessional loans to the eligible members of STs under various schemes of NSTFDC.
- 2.5 The Corporation participated in the Regional Aadi Mahotsav held during the month at SAIL Exhibition Ground, Rourkela (Odisha). During this event, NSTFDC had put-up a stall

for dissemination of information about its various schemes and implementation of projects in the State of Odisha.

During this programme, Official of NSTFDC visited the Livelihood Business Incubation Centre, Rourkela and interacted with the trainees.

Forest Rights Act

3. Under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as per information received from State Governments till 30.11.2022, 44,66,617 claims (42,97,245 individual and 1,69,372 community) have been filed and 22,49,671 titles (21,46,782 individual and 1,02,889 community) have been distributed. A total of 39,79,543 (89.10%) claims have been disposed of.

<u>Launch of "Marketing and Logistics Development for Promotion of Tribal Products from North Eastern Region (PTP-NER)"</u>

- 4. Shri Arjun Munda, Union Minister of Tribal Affairs, Government of India launched the Ministry of Tribal Affairs' new Central Sector Scheme "Marketing and Logistics Development for Promotion of Tribal Products from North -Eastern Region (PTP-NER)" for the benefit of Scheduled Tribes of North-eastern Region on 18.04.2023 in Imphal, Manipur.
- 5. Shri Arjun Munda, Union Minister of Tribal Affairs chaired a review meeting on 27.04.2023 with senior officials from Port Blair UT Administration to review the steps needed to take precautionary measures for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) at Andaman & Nicobar Islands & various developmental works initiated with the Centre's assistance.

The discussion proved to be fruitful for all, allowing the exchange of experiences, suggestions, and ideas toward the goal of inclusive growth & overall welfare for the PVTG Community.

6. Regional Aadi Mahotsav was organized in collaboration with Steel Authority of India Limited, Rourkela Steel Plant in Rourkela, Odisha from 07.04.2023 to 15.04.2023.

The event witnessed participation of 275 artisans from different parts of the country to showcase their craft, culture and cuisine that includes stalls put up by VDVKs, PVTGs, FPOs, GI Tag Stalls, Millet Stalls, etc.

Apart from the craft stalls and artisans, the event has also witnessed cultural performances by around 140 tribal performers over a period of 09 days on daily basis belonging to various tribes namely Santhal, Dharua, Paroja, Oram, Kissan, Paudi Bhuyan (PVTG), Dongria Kandh (PVTG) and Kutia Kandh (PVTG).

7. In line with making E-Governance as an essential part of Digital India, during the month of April, 2023, 81 e-files have been created by this Ministry in e-office.