### 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<sup>st</sup> July, 2009]

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1. <u>Readiness of the States in the implementation of the Act</u> :

- (i) An updated status of State-wise implementation of the Act is given in Annexure-I. As per the information collected from the States till 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2009, more than 22.99 lakhs claims have been filed and more than 2.88 lakhs titles have been distributed. More than 1.54 lakhs titles are ready for distribution. Pending population of the web-site (www.forestrights.gov.in), a statement on claims received and distribution of title deeds in various states, as in Annexure-II, is being maintained.
- (ii) The Ministry had scheduled a three days Conference of States implementing tribal development/welfare programmes on 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. However, it was informed by the Office of the Dy. Commissioner of Police Security (PM) New Delhi, that the Ministry of Home Affairs is holding the presentation ceremony of Kabir Puraskar and National Communal Harmony Awards, to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2009 at Vigyan Bhawan. As per information received from President Secretariat and PMO, Her

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Excellency, the President of India and the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India would be attending the Award Presentation Ceremony. In view of that, the NOC issued to this Ministry was cancelled due to the VVIP function. The three-day Conference has, therefore, been postponed. The fresh dates for the same would be decided later on.

(iii) As stated in the last month's progress report, this Ministry has been persuading States/UTs to populate the web-site (www.forestrights.gov.in), for the effective monitoring of the implementation of the Act. However, only nine States (Andhra Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Pradesh. Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan and Tripura) are uploading the website. A list of States/UTs that are not uploading the website is annexed to this report as Annexure-III. Annexures I, II & III are also being put up on the Ministry's web-site.

### 2. <u>Clarifications sought by the States, if any :</u>

No State has asked for any fresh clarification.

### 3. <u>Matters relating to the Act pending at the level of Government of India:</u>

- NIL -

### 4. <u>Monitoring of the implementation of the Act by personal visits to States/UTs</u> by the Ministry :

The Cabinet Secretary and other Secretaries to the Government of India, including Secretary, Tribal Affairs, visited the state of Jharkhand in the last week of June, 2009 and amongst others, reviewed the progress of the implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 in the state. As a follow-up to that, Secretary, Tribal Affairs has written a do letter to the Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2009 urging him, inter-alia, to complete the exercise of vesting of forest rights as per direction of the Hon'ble President of India by December, 2009.

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# <u>Annexure-I</u> Statement showing State-wise status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

	(As on 31.07	7.2009)
Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Andhra Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,29,233 (3,23,272 individual and 5,961 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,14,413
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,40,482
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,37,613
	11) Number of titles distributed	67,963 distributed and 69,650 are ready for distribution.
	12) No. of claims rejected	16,178
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	July, 2009 (OVER)
	14) Problems	Lack of updated land records
Arunachal Pradesh	Department of Social Welfare has been selected as the Nodal Department for implementation of the Act in the State. However, Nodal Officer has not been appointed by the State Govt., till now.	NO RESPONSE
Assam	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC	Yes Yes
	(b) DEC (c)SLMC	Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being done

	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	57,652 ( 55,165 individual and 2487 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	February, 2009. ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Bihar	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	-
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being created in a limited way through advertisements in local newspapers
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Out of 390 Gram Sabhas, training has been completed in about 50 Gram Sabhas
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Is in progress.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	495
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	495
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	495
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	

	14) Problems	All the Government functionaries were busy in flood relief
		works.
Chhattisgarh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	<ul><li>4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules</li></ul>	Going on in a large scale
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	4.00 lakhs (approx.)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,31,750
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,16,995
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,09,711
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,02,800 titles have been distributed
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	June, 2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Out of 85 blocks, at least 40 blocks are affected by naxalism.
Goa	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	<ul> <li>2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> <li>(b) DLC</li> <li>(c)SLMC</li> </ul>	Yet to be constituted.
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Is in progress.
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Done.
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Programme is chalked by GIRDA
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yet to be constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	

	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	s) No. of claims recommended by SDEC to DEC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Gujarat	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,68,306 (1,60,881 individual and 7,425 community).
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	23,619 (23,195 individual and 424 community).
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	3,870 (3,821 individual and 49 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	2,575 (2,553 individual and 22 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	2,431
	12) No. of claims rejected	
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	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.03.2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	There is some delay in conducting the survey and field verification of claim at site on account of State's officials' capability to handle PDA equipments purchased from Forest and Environment Department of Madhya Pradesh. This matter is getting resolved,and thereafter, the progress will improve.
Haryana	The State Govt. has informed that there are no Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers living in the forests of Haryana	
Himachal Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	<ul> <li>2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> <li>(b) DLC</li> <li>(c)SLMC</li> </ul>	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	No need
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes, in 142 Gram Sabhas out of 151 Gram Sabha (94%)
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	27.1.2009 onwards ALREADY OVER

	14) Problems	
Jharkhand	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	2071 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	4,539
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	72 (including 2 community rights)
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Karnataka	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has been started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	1605 FRCs have been constituted
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1412
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	471
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL

	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009. ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Kerala	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	509 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	33,734
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	17
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	
Madhya Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes
	<ul> <li>3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ul>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,66,874
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	3,44,205

Meghalaya	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
Manipur	Reasons why no action has been initiated for implementation of the Act are not available nor were they forthcoming in the Review Meeting held on 11.11.2008.	NO RESPONSE
	14) Problems	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March 2010. EMPHASISED FOR DEC. 2009.
	12) No. of claims rejected	51
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,384 (1,375 individual and 9 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	2,948 (2939 individual and 9 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	28,183 (28,108 individual and 75 community)
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	2,45,497 (2,43,302 individual and 2,195 community)
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	(b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes
Maharashtra	<ol> <li>Appointment of a Nodal officer</li> <li>Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> </ol>	Yes
	14) Problems	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2009
	12) No. of claims rejected	1,94,011
	11) Number of titles distributed	32,876 (36,540 ready for distribution).
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	2,63,427
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	2,79,995

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	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	No No No
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Translation of the Act in local languages is held up on account of non- availability of the Act's legal lexicon in local languages
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Is being done
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Mizoram	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No
	<ul> <li>2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> <li>(b) DLC</li> <li>(c)SLMC</li> </ul>	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	No
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	No
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
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	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	The Act is to be approved by the State Legislative Assembly as per the Article 371 (G) of the Constitution.
Nagaland	Government of Nagaland has informed that the land holding system and the village system of the Naga people is peculiar in that the people are the land owners. There are no tribes or group of people or forest dwellers in the State of Nagaland. Hence, the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 per se may not be applicable to the State of Nagaland.	
Orissa	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	(a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes, in 46506 villages out of 46515 villages
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	2,92,812 (2,91,156 individual and 1,656 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,59,069 (1,58,480 individual and 589 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	44,683 (44,567 individual and 116 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	36,892 (36,792 individual and 100 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	781 (777 individual and 4 community)
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	NOT GIVEN DECEMBER 2009 EMPHASISED

	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC         10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title         11) Number of titles distributed	14,1399,7234,9133,288 pattas distributed and 1,215 ready for distribution
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	9,723 4,913
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
		14,139
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	53,274
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	<ul> <li>3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> <li>4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules</li> </ul>	Yes Yes
	(b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes
Rajasthan	<ol> <li>Appointment of a Nodal officer</li> <li>Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> </ol>	Yes
Deizethen	1) Appointment of a Nadal officer	State is unsurveyed & detailed maps/records are not available. 2. Illiterate tribal people residing in remote areas find it difficult to procure authorized copy of Caste/Community in support of their claims. 3. Lack of trained manpower & survey equipment thereby hampering vetting of claims. 4. Restrictive Court order.

Tamil Nadu	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC	Yes
	(b) DLC	Yes
	(c)SLMC	Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Has started in a limited way
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	-
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Work of setting up FRCs has started. Gram Sabha meetings convened on 15.08.2008
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	7,741
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	Are being scrutinized
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-do-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-do-
	11) Number of titles distributed	-do-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 (subject to Court's approval) ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Restrictive Court order.
Tripura	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC	Yes
	(b) DLC	Yes
	(c)SLMC	Yes
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Workshop organized for the officials of PRI/SDLC/DLC.
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,62,186
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-

	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	81,144	
	11) Number of titles distributed	74,042	
	12) No. of claims rejected	-	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	July, 2009.	
	14) Problems		
Uttar Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes	
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Yes	
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>	No need	
	<ul><li>4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules</li></ul>	Yes	
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has started	
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Out of 741 Gram Sabhas, in 529 Gram Sabhas FRCs have been constituted.	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	28,369	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	276	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL	
	12) No. of claims rejected	-	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 ALREADY OVER	
	14) Problems		
Uttarakhand	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes	
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c) SLMC	Yes Yes Yes	
	<ol> <li>Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.</li> </ol>		
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules		
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members		

	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	3758 in 7541 Gram Panchayats
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 ALREADY OVER
	14) Problems	Formation of committees could not be done earlier due to the coming into force of model code of conduct for elections.
West Bengal	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	<ul> <li>2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC</li> <li>(b) DLC</li> <li>(c)SLMC</li> </ul>	Yes Yes Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual claims and 6754 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	-
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	-
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	-
	11) Number of titles distributed	5,249 distributed and 2,296 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	11,071

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	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.03.09 (barring the districts in which there are law & order problems.) DATE OVER					
	14) Problems	Some delay occurred initially owing to the Panchayat elections in the State.					
A & N Islands	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes					
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yes Yes Being constituted.					
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Translation has been completed but publication of the translated version yet not done.					
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Yes					
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Under process					
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Yes					
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level						
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC						
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC						
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title						
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL *					
	12) No. of claims rejected						
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds						
	14) Problems/Remarks						
	The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has informed that in A&N Islands there are no non-tribal forest dwellers as defined in the Act. The Act is applicable only to the Forest Dwelling Scheduled Tribes of these islands. The area inhabited by the Scheduled Tribes of A&N Islands has been declared as reserved area under the A&N Islands Protection of Aboriginal Tribes (Regulation), 1956. The interest of the tribals in the land situated in the reserved areas are fully protected under the provision of the regulation. The tribal reserves have been notified as reserved or protected forest reserve.						
Daman & Diu							

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	prescribed Committees for implementing the Act. The Administration had requested that the term "State Government" may be defined that the State Government in relation to the Union Territories is the Administrator appointed under Article 239 of the Constitution of India.	
	The Ministry had clarified the above issue to the Administration of Daman & Diu in the month of January, 2009.	
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC	Yes Yes
	(c)SLMC 3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Yes Has been completed
	4) Creation of Awareness about the provision of the Act and the Rules	Has been started and is going on
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Has started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	
	11) Number of titles distributed	NIL
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
Lakshadweep	The UT Administration has intimated, vide letter dated 6.2.2008, that there are no terrestrial forests and no forest tribes or traditional forest dwellers in Lakshadweep.	
Puducherry	Government of Puducherry has informed that there are no recognized Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territory of Puducherry and also no land in Puducherry is classified as "Forest Land" coming within the definition of Clause 2(d) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The constitution of various committees as envisaged in the said Act does not arise. Moreover, in the Affidavit filed in the Supreme Court in connection with the WP(C) No.50 of 2008 challenging the vires of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, Govt. of Puducherry has affirmed that there is no Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers in the Union Territory of Puducherry for the present.	

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#### **Annexure-II**

## 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 31.07.2009)	
S. No	State	Claims Received upto 30.06.09	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 31.07.09	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 30.06.09	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 31.07.09
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,29,233 (3,23,272 individual and 5961 community).	-	3,29,233 (3,23,272 individual and 5961 community).	67,855 distributed and 74,678 ready.	-	67,963 distributed and 69,650* ready.
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Assam	-	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)	66,546 (63,448 individual and 3098 community)	-	-	-
4.	Bihar	495	-	495	-	-	-
5.	Chhattisgarh	4,00,000 (approx.)	-	4,00,000 (approx.)	1,02,800 distributed and 6,911 ready.	-	1,02,800 distributed and 6,911 ready.
6.	Goa	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.	Gujarat	1,63,075 (1,56,209 individual and 6,866 community).	5,231	1,68,306 (1,60,881 individual and 7,425 community).	1997 distributed and 26 ready.	434 distributed	2,431 distributed
8.	Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.	Jharkhand	878	3,661	4,539	-	72 distributed including 2 community rights	72 distributed including 2 community rights
10.	Karnataka	1,412	-	1,412	-	-	-
11.	Kerala	33,734 individual claims.		33,734 individual claims.	17 distributed.		17 distributed.
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3,43,148	23,726	3,66,874	24,571 distributed and 18,721 ready.	8,305 distributed and 17,819 ready.	32,876 distributed and 36,540 ready.
13.	Maharashtra	2,45,284 (2,43,089 individual and 2195 community).	213	2,45,497	1,384 ready.	-	1,384 ready.
14.	Manipur	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.	Meghalaya	-	-	-	-	-	-
16.	Mizoram	-	-	-	-	-	-

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 30.06.09	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 31.07.09	Title deeds distributed/ ready upto 30.06.09	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 31.07.09
17.	Orissa	2,91,889 (2,90,273 individual and 1616 community).	923	2,92,812 (2,91,156 individual and 1,656 community).	30,794 ready (30,749 individual and 45 community).	6,098 ready (6,043 individual and 55 community)	36,892 ready (36,792 individual and 100 community).
18.	Rajasthan	34,535 (including 2 community claims).	18,739	53,274	1,778 distributed (including 2 community) and 247 ready.	1,510 distributed and 968 ready	3,288 distributed and 1,215 ready.
19.	Sikkim	-	-	-	-	-	-
20.	Tamil Nadu	4,876	2,865	7,741	-	-	-
21.	Tripura	1,62,185	1	1,62,186	66,573 distributed.	7,469 distributed	74,042 distributed.
22.	Uttar Pradesh	-	28,369	28,369	-	-	-
23.	Uttaranchal	-	-	-	-	-	-
24.	West Bengal	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual and 6754 community).	-	1,38,064 (1,31,310 individual and 6754 community).	5,249 distributed and 2296 ready.	-	5,249 distributed and 2296 ready.
25.	A & N Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-
26.	Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-	-	-
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	21,48,808	1,50,274	22,99,082	2,70,840 distributed and 1,35,057 ready.	17,883 distributed and 19,831 ready.	2,88,723 distributed and 1,54,888* ready.

\* The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh had earlier given higher figures of number of titles ready.

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### Annexure-III

## List of States/UTs that are not uploading the web-site http://forestrights.gov.in : (As on 31.07.2009)

### (A) List of States Not Entering <u>Committee</u> Data:

- 1. ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
- 2. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
- 3. DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
- 4. DAMAN AND DIU
- 5. GOA
- 6. GUJARAT
- 7. MEGHALAYA
- 8. MIZORAM
- 9. SIKKIM
- 10. TAMIL NADU
- 11. UTTARANCHAL
- 12. UTTAR PRADESH

### (B) List of States Not Entering <u>Claim</u> Data:

- 1. ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS
- 2. ASSAM
- 3. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
- 4. DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
- 5. DAMAN AND DIU
- 6. GOA
- 7. GUJARAT
- 8. HIMACHAL PRADESH
- 9. KERALA
- 10. KARNATAKA
- 11. MIZORAM
- 12. MANIPUR
- 13. MEGHALAYA
- 14. SIKKIM
- 15. TAMIL NADU
- 16. UTTARANCHAL
- 17. UTTAR PRADESH
- 18. WEST BENGAL

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### (C) List of States/UTs that have not distributed any titles so far:

- 1. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
- 2. ASSAM
- 3. BIHAR
- 4. GOA
- 5. HIMACHAL PRADESH
- 6. KARNATAKA
- 7. MANIPUR
- 8. MEGHALAYA
- 9. MIZORAM
- 10. ORISSA (because of restrictive High Court's order)
- 11. SIKKIM
- 12. TAMIL NADU (because of restrictive High Court's order)
- 13. UTTAR PRADESH
- 14. UTTARANCHAL
- 15. DAMAN & DIU
- 16. DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI

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