

Status Report on Implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

For the Period ending 31st March 2009

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1. Regarding Court cases filed against the Act:

- (I) Writ Petition (Civil) No. 50 of 2008, Writ Petition Civil No.109 of 2008, Transfer Petitions Civil No.414-417/ 2008 and Transfer Petitions Civil No.179-180/ 2009, came up for hearing on 2.03.2009 in the Hon'ble Supreme Court. From the Government side, Shri Fali. S. Nariman, Senior Advocate and Shri Mohan Parasaran, Ld. Additional Solicitor General of India, besides other Advocates were present during the hearing. Hon'ble Court ordered to post the matter before a three-judge Bench. These cases have been listed for hearing on 27.04.2009.

- (II) Two officers of this Ministry visited Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh on 26th and 27th March, 2009 to file Counter Affidavit in the Writ Petition No.4656 of 2008 filed by Shri Rajesh Jauhri in the High Court of Judicature of Madhya Pradesh Bench at Indore, which was later transferred to Principal Bench of M.P. High Court at Jabalpur. The Counter Affidavit was filed on 28.03.2009. During their interaction with the Assistant Director (Legal) of Tribal Development, Govt. of MP, stationed at Jabalpur, it was known that three more Writ Petitions have been filed before the Principal Bench of the Madhya Pradesh High Court at Jabalpur against the Forest Right Act, The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is a respondent in all the three cases. However, this fact was not conveyed to this Ministry either by the State Government of Madhya Pradesh or by Central Government standing counsel. Filing of Counter Affidavits on behalf of the Union of India in all the three new cases is under process in the Ministry.

2. Readiness of the States in the implementation of the Act:

An updated status of State-wise implementation of the Act is given in Annexure-I. As per the information collected from the States till 31st March, 2009, more than 20.50 lakhs claims have been filed and about 1.53 lakhs titles have been distributed. More than 1.93 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. Both Annexures I and II are also being put up on the Ministry's web-site.


3. Legal clarifications sought by the States, if any:


A meeting of the Core Group was held on 24.03.2009 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (TA), to consider the various issues related to the implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006. Representatives of Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Ministry of Law & Justice (Department of Legal Affairs) also attended the meeting:

4. Matters relating to the Act pending at the level of Government of India:

The guidelines for diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government under section 3(2) of the Forest Rights Act, have been finalized in consultation with the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Ministry of Law and Justice and Department of Land Resources. The same shall be issued after the modal code of conduct ceases to be in operation.

Annexure-I**Statement showing State-wise status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006****(As on 30.01.2009)**


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	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	3,28,179
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,08,915
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,29,885
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,17,395
	11) Number of titles distributed	330 issued before the Court's order and 1,17,065 are ready.
	12) No. of claims rejected	16,691
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009 (subject to Court's approval)
	14) Problems	i) Restrictive court orders ii) Lack of updated land records


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
<p data-bbox="224 289 415 382">Arunachal Pradesh</p> 		<p data-bbox="477 491 1419 604">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.</p>


Assam





1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
2) Status of formation of various Committees	
a) SDLC	Yes
b) DLC	Yes
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	Are being 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	
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.
14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Bihar 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	c) SLMC	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.

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Chhatishgarh 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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
	14) Problems	Out of 85 blocks, at least 40 blocks are affected by naxalism.

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Goa 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	Yet to be Constituted
	a) SDLC	
	b) DLC	
	c) SLMC	
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	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	Program 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	
	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	


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Gujarat 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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, 48, 216 (1,41,560 individual and 6,656 community).
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	8,129
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	3,181
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	3,181
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	1.12.2008
	14) Problems	It was planned to distribute title of land to individuals/ communities from 1.12.2008 which has been delayed as title of land requires detail survey of land under occupation of claimant, which is under progress.


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
<p>Haryana</p> 		<p>The State Govt. has informed that there are no Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers living in the forests of Haryana</p>


Himachal Pradesh





1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
2) Status of formation of various Committees	
a) SDLC	Yes
b) DLC	Yes
c) SLMC	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	
12) No. of claims rejected	
13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	27.1.2009 onwards
14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Jharkhand 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	d) SDLC	Yes
	e) DLC	Yes
	f) 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	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	878
	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	
	14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Karnataka 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	1,412
	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	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009.
	14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Kerala 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	Yes
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	Yes
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	Elections to FRCs are in progress. 281 out of 404 FRCs have been 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	
	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	March, 2009
	14) Problems	


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Madhya Pradesh 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	3,29,184
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,83,549
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	63,358
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	45,477
	11) Number of titles distributed	13,060
	12) No. of claims rejected	24,300
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March, 2009
	14) Problems	


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Maharastra 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	2,10,452
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	9,860
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	581
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	403
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March,2009
	14) Problems	

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.


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Meghalay 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	No
	b) DLC	No
	c) SLMC	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	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Mezoram 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	c) SLMC	Yes
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	No
	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	
	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.

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Orissa 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	2,91,107 (2,89,646 individual and 1461 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,66,822 (1,51,275 individual and 15,547 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	31,391 (30,558 individual and 833 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	29,816 (29,772 individual and 44 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	1. Forest land in the State is un-surveyed & 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.


Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Rajasthan 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	34,535 (including 2 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	8,962
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	4,025
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	2,023
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,778 (including 2 community claims) pattas distributed
	12) No. of claims rejected	234
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.3.2009
	14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
<p>Sikkim</p> 		<p>The Government of Sikkim has issued a notification dated 28.1.2008 regarding constitution of an Expert Committee for identification of Critical Wildlife habitats in Protected Areas (PAs)</p>


Tamilnadu





1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
2) Status of formation of various Committees	
a) SDLC	Yes
b) DLC	Yes
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	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	4876
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 (subject to Court's approval)
14) Problems	Restrictive Court order.



Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Tripura 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	1,60,046
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	94,552
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	40,924
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	29,507
	11) Number of titles distributed	29,507
	12) No. of claims rejected	28,169
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	15.01.2009
	14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Uttar Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	Yes
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	c) SLMC	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	15000 copies of the Act and the Rules have been printed and distributed to different departments. For awareness generation, they are distributing these copies at different levels.
	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	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.1.2009
	14) Problems	

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
Uttarakhand 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	Yes
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	c) SLMC	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	
	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
	14) Problems	Formation of committees could not be done earlier due to the coming into force of model code of conduct for elections.

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
West Bengal 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	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	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	1,41,178 (1,32,780 individual claims and 8,398 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	77,126 (74,321 individual claims and 2805 community claims)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	77,126 (74,321 individual claims and 2805 community claims)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	77,126 (74,321 individual claims and 2805 community claims)
	11) Number of titles distributed	5,249 and 2839 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	10,971 (10,45 individual and 26 community)
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.03.08 (barring the districts in which there are law & order problem)
	14) Problems	Some delay occurred initially owing to the Panchayat elections in the State.

Name of the State/UT	Activities	Status
A & N Islands 	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees	
	a) SDLC	Yes
	b) DLC	Yes
	c) SLMC	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	
	12) No. of claims rejected	
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) Problems	
	<p>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.</p>	

Daman & Diu 	<p>The Administration of Daman & Diu has made a reference to this Ministry that the term “State Government” has not been defined under the Act or the Rules thereof. As Daman & Diu is a UT, they have not been able to constitute the prescribed Committees for implementing the Act. The Administration has 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.</p> <p>The Ministry has clarified the above issue to the Administration of Daman & Diu in the month of January, 2009.</p>	<p>No Progress. MHA has been informed.</p>
Dadra & Nagar Haveli 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Appointment of a Nodal officer 2) Status of formation of various Committees <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) SDLC b) DLC c) SLMC 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 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 12) No. of claims rejected 13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds 14) Problems 	<p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Has been completed</p> <p>Has been started and is going on</p> <p>Has started</p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p></p>

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.

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 31.03.2009)

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 28.02.2009	Claims Received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 31.03.2009	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 28.02.2009	Title deeds Distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of Title Deeds distributed / ready upto 31.03.2009
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,26,328 (3,20,412 individual and 5,916 community claims)	1851	3,28,179	330 distributed before the Court's order and 1,13,999 are ready.	3,396 ready	330 distributed before the Court's order and 1,17,395 are ready.
2.	Arunachal Pradesh						
3.	Assam						
4.	Bihar	495		495			
5.	Chhattisgarh	4,00,000 (approx.)		4,00,000 (approx.)	85,549 distributed	17,251 distributed and 6,911 ready	1,02,800 distributed and 6,911 ready

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6.	Goa						
7.	Gujarat	1,42,881 (1,37,095 individual) and 5,786 community).	5,335 (4,465 individual and 870 community)	1,48,216 (1,41,560 individual and 6,656 community).	1,749 ready	1,432 ready	3,181 ready
8.	Himachal Pradesh						
9.	Jharkhand	878		878			
10.	Karnataka	1,412		1,412			
11.	Kerala						
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3,29,184		3,29,184	13,060 distributed and 32,417 ready		13,060 distributed and 32,417 ready
13.	Maharashtra	1,07,863	1,02,589	2,10,452		403 ready	403 ready

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14.	Manipur						
15.	Meghalaya						
16.	Mizoram						
17.	Orissa	2,72,813 (2,71,352 individual and 1461 community)	18,294 individual	2,91,107 (2,89,646 individual and 1461 community)	22,195 ready (22,168 individual and 27 community)	7,621 ready (7,604 individual and 17 Community).	29,816 ready (29,772 individual and 44 community)
18.	Rajasthan	34,535 (including 2 community claims)		34,535 (including 2 community claims)	1,778 distributed (including 2 community) and 247 ready	1457 distributed	1,778 distributed (including 2 community) and 247 ready
19.	Sikkim						
20.	Tamil Nadu	4,876		4,876			
21.	Tripura	1,60,046		1,60,046	29,507 distributed		29,507 distributed

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22.	Uttar Pradesh						
23.	Uttaranchal						
24.	West Bengal	1,41,178 (1,32,780 individual and 8,398 community)		1,41,178 (1,32,780 individual and 8,398 community)	4,726 distributed and 1600 ready	523 distributed and 1239 ready	5,249 distributed and 2839 ready
25.	A & N Islands						
26.	Daman & Diu						
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli						
	Total	19,22,489	1,28,069	20,50,558	1,34,950 distributed and 1,72,207 ready	17,774 distributed and 21,002 ready	1,52,724 distributed and 1,93,209 ready

Source: www.tribal.nic.in , Map: Census of India, Govt. of India

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