

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

For the Period ending 28th February 2009

**Ministry of Tribal Affairs
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1. Regarding Court cases filed against the Act:

A. A meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Tribal Affairs under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Home Minister, Shri P.Chidambaram was held on 18.2.2009 in North Block, New Delhi to review the status of the Court Cases in connection with the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The following decisions were taken:

- (i) States where no Court cases had been filed would be persuaded to complete the award of titles at the earliest.
- (ii) (ii) The Ministry of Environment & Forests and the Ministry of Rural Development shall file their respective Counter Affidavits in the Supreme Court supporting the Counter Affidavit filed by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in respect of the two Supreme Court cases – Writ Petition No.50 of 2008 and Writ Petition No.109 of 2008, within two weeks.
- (iii) (iii) States and Union Territories, that have not filed their Counter Affidavits in the Supreme Court so far, shall be reminded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs to do so immediately.
- (iv) (iv) Ministry of Tribal Affairs should impress upon the Advocate on record for the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in the Supreme Court to take immediate steps for getting the Transfer Petitions listed in the Supreme Court at the earliest.
- (v) (v) Against the Interim Order dated 19.8.2008 of the High Court of Judicature of Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad in WP No.21479 of 2007, Ministry of Tribal Affairs shall file an appeal in the Division Bench of the High Court or the Supreme Court,

as the case may be, for lifting the stay; so too for the two cases filed in Orissa and Tamil Nadu.

- B. Writ Petition (Civil) No. 50 of 2008 was listed for hearing in the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 13.02.2009. A briefing meeting was held by Secretary, Tribal Affairs along with other officers of the Ministry with Shri Mohan Parasaran, Additional Solicitor General of India on 11.2.2009. Subsequently, another briefing meeting was held with Shri Fali S. Nariman, Senior Advocate on 12.2.2009. After hearing Shri Fali S. Nariman, Senior Advocate and Shri Mohan Parasaran, Additional Solicitor General of India, **the Hon'ble Supreme Court was pleased to order that "the matter be listed before a regular Bench, instead of the Forest Bench, since it pertains to the challenge of the provisions of the Forest Rights Act.** The Ld. Chief Justice would have to give appropriate directions for listing the case along with the connected cases - Writ Petition (Civil) No. 109 of 2008; Transfer Petitions (Civil) No. 414-417/ 2008 and Transfer Petitions (Civil) No. 179-180/2009, after two weeks." All these cases were listed for hearing on 2nd March, 2009 in the Hon'ble Supreme Court (Adjourned to last week of April, 09).
- C. As already intimated earlier, one consultant and an Under Secretary of this Ministry is constantly in touch with the Court of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of India and the Office of the Additional Solicitor General of India to watch the position of the two cases and the Transfer Petitions.

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 28th February, 2009, more than 19.40 lakhs claims have been filed and about 1.37 lakhs titles have been distributed. More than 1.70 lakhs titles are ready for distribution. As intimated earlier, some of the States like Andhra Pradesh, Chattisgarh, West Bengal and Orissa seems to have reached full potential of receiving the claims. Therefore, the focus in these States is on the process of actual issue of Pattas. 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:


The guidelines for diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government under section 3(2) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, are yet to be notified. As per the decision taken in the meeting held with the Ministry of Law & Justice on 13.1.2009, this Ministry has circulated a draft procedure/ guideline to the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Ministry of Rural Development on 26.2.2009 for their concurrence. The guidelines would be notified as soon as the concurrence of these Ministries is received.


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


No other matter, except as mentioned in para 3 above, is pending at the level of Government of India.


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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	3,26,282 (3,20,366 individual and 5916 community claims)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,06,833
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,23,195
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,14,329
	11) Number of titles distributed	330 issued before the Court's order and 83,468 are ready.
12) No. of claims rejected	8693	
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="224 289 415 380">Arunachal Pradesh</p> 		<p data-bbox="477 489 1421 600">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>


<p>Assam</p> 	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
<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold; color: white;">Bihar</p> 	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	105000 (Approx.)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	99392
	11) Number of titles distributed	85549 titles have been distributed
12) No. of claims rejected	9949	
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
<p style="text-align: center;">Goa</p> 	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	
	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
<p data-bbox="212 296 428 359">Gujurat</p> 	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	1,42,881 (1,37,095 individual) and (5,786 community).
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	4,561
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	2,243
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,749
	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
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
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
<p data-bbox="217 296 423 415">Madhya Pradesh</p> 	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
Maharashtra 	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	1,07,863
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	3,139
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	39
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	37
	11) Number of titles distributed	
12) No. of claims rejected	2	
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 45684 villages out of 46515 villages
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	2,91,524 (2,71,352 individual and 20,172 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	22,195 (22,168 individual and 27 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	
12) No. of claims rejected		
13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds		
14) Problems	<p>1. Forest land in the State is un-surveyed & detailed maps/records are not available.</p> <p>2. Illeterate tribal people residing in remote areas find it difficult to procure authorized copy of Caste/Community in support of their claims.</p> <p>3. Lack of trained manpower & survey equipment thereby hampering vetting of claims.</p> <p>4. Restrictive Court order.</p>	


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 data-bbox="240 296 399 348">Sikim</p> 		<p data-bbox="477 506 1408 611">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
<p data-bbox="196 384 444 430">West Bengal</p> 	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	61,861 (59,067 individual claims and 2,794 community claims)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	61,861 (59,067 individual claims and 2,794 community claims)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	61,861 (59,067 individual claims and 2,794 community claims)
	11) Number of titles distributed	4,726
12) No. of claims rejected	6,274	
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>	

<p>Daman & Diu</p> 	<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>
<p>Dadra & Nagar Haveli</p> 	<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> <p></p> <p></p>
<p>Lakshadweep</p>	<p>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.</p>	

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 28.02.2009)

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 31.01.2009	Claims Received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.09	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.01.2009	Title deeds Distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of Title Deeds distributed / ready upto 28.02.09
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,26,282 (3,20,366 individual and 5916 community)	46	3,26,328 (3,20,412 individual and 5916 community claims)	330 distributed before receipt of court order and 1,12,595 ready	1,404 ready	330 distributed before receipt of court order and 1,13,999 are ready
2.	Arunachal Pradesh						
3.	Assam						
4.	Bihar	495		495			
5.	Chhattisgarh	4,00,000 (approx.)		4,00,000 (approx.)	85,549 distributed		85,549 distributed

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6.	Goa						
7.	Gujarat	1,30,101 (1,24,887 individual and 5,214 community)	12,780	1,42,881 (1,37,095 individual and 5,786 community)		1,749 distributed.	1,749 distributed.
8.	Himachal Pradesh						
9.	Jharkhand	878		878			
10.	Karnataka	1,412		1,412			
11.	Kerala						
12.	Madhya Pradesh	2,97,000	32,184	3,29,184	8059 distributed and 7192 ready	5,001 distributed and 25,225 ready	8059 distributed and 7192 ready
13.	Maharashtra	1,07,863		1,07,863			

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14.	Manipur						
15.	Meghalaya						
16.	Mizoram						
17.	Orissa	2,54,07 (2,37,899 individual and 16,128 community)	37,497 (33,453 individual and 4,044 community)	2,91,524 (2,71,352 individual and 20,172 community)	9,346 ready	12,849 ready (12,822 individual and 27 community)	22,195 ready (22,168 individual and 27 community)
18.	Rajasthan	34,417	118	34,535 (including 2 community claims)	321 distributed and 1722 ready	1457 distributed	1,778 (including 2 community claims) pattas distributed and 247 ready
19.	Sikkim						
20.	Tamil Nadu	4,876		4,876			
21.	Tripura	74,370	85,676	1,60,046		29,507 distributed	29,507 distributed

S. No	State	Claims Received upto 31.01.2009	Claims Received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.09	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.01.2009	Title deeds Distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of Title Deeds distributed / ready upto 28.02.09
22.	Uttar Pradesh						
23.	Uttaranchal						
24.	West Bengal	1,36,027 (1,27,835 individual and 8,192 community)	5,151	1,41,178 (1,32,780 individual claims and 8,398 community claims)	21	4705 distributed and 1600 ready	4,726 distributed and 1600 ready
25.	A & N Islands						
26.	Daman & Diu						
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli						
	Total	17,67,748	1,73,452	19,41,200	94,280 distributed and 1,30,855 ready	42,419 distributed and 41,078 ready	1,36,699 distributed and 1,71,933 ready

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

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