

**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 28th February, 2010]

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

- (i) An updated status of State-wise implementation of the Act is given in **Annexure-I**. As per the information collected till 28th February 2010, **more than 27.16 lakh claims have been filed and more than 7.59 lakh titles have been distributed. More than 36 thousand titles were ready for distribution.**

State-wise synopsis of claims disposed of, as on 28.02.10, with respect to the total number of claims received up to May 09, the month of announcement of special drive, is as below:

State	No. of claims received at Gram Sabha		No. of claims disposed of by 28.02.2010			Percentage of the claims disposed of upto 28.02.10 w.r.t no. of claims received upto May, 09 /observations
	Upto May 09	Upto Feb., 10	No. of titles distributed	No. of claims rejected	Total No. of claims disposed of	
Andhra Pradesh	3,29,101	3,25,818	1,73,334	1,31,480	3,04,814	92.62%
Assam	-	1,01,454	12,056	-	12,056	- late start
Bihar	495	788	Nil	-	Nil	Nil
Chhattisgarh	4,00,000	4,86,101	2,14,633	2,71,468	4,86,101	100%
Gujarat	1,63,675	1,86,334	14,562	3,106	17,668	10.79%. poor performance
Jharkhand	878	25,220	2,505	3,036	5,541	- Number of applications called upto May,09 was very low
Karnataka	1,412	45,801	-	-	-	Nil
Kerala	-	36,822	3,958	1,107	5,065	- late start
Madhya Pradesh	3,43,148	3,84,466	72,485	2,40,795	3,13,280	91.29%

Maharashtra	2,39,542	3,17,322	7,480	422	7,902	3.30%. poor performance
Orissa	2,91,107	3,55,698	1,32,868	61,294	1,94,162	66.70%
Rajasthan	34,535	59,900	14,277	30,029	44,306	100%
Tamil Nadu*	4,876	10,766	(2,104 titles are ready)**	-	(2,104 titles are ready)**	43.15%
Tripura	1,60,046	1,64,726	84,750	73,697	1,58,447	99.00%
Uttar Pradesh	-	73,143	9070	57,507	66,577	- late start
Uttarakhand	-	182	-	1	1	- late start
West Bengal	1,39,494	1,41,783	18,001	55,990	73,991	53.04%
Total	21,07,719	27,16,324	7,59,979	9,29,932	16,89,911	80.18%

* In the State of Tamil Nadu, titles could not be distributed due to restrictive High Court's order.

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) Status of the implementation of the Act in the LWE affected States has separately been shown in **Annexure-III**.
- (iii) A list of States/UTs that are not uploading the website is at **Annexure-IV**. A list of States/UTs that have not distributed any title so far, is also given in Annexure-IV.

3. Clarifications sought by the States, if any :

No State has asked for any fresh clarification.

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

- NIL -

5. Monitoring of the implementation of the Act::

- (i) As intimated earlier, the Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs had written to the State Chief Ministers on 19.11.2009 and again on 29.12.2009 urging them

to take all measures necessary for accelerating process of implementation of the Act so that the work relating to distribution of title deeds to all eligible claimants is completed by the end of December 2009. The Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs has again addressed the Chief Ministers of all concerned States on 18th February, 2010 for ensuring that all the remaining claims are disposed of at the earliest.

(ii) Meeting of the Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs:

A meeting of the Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Tribal Affairs and in the presence of Hon'ble Minister of State, Tribal Affairs, was held on 17th February 2010 to discuss and review the "Forest Rights Act – achievements in implementing". The Committee, while expressing concern about rejection of a large number of claims in some States, was satisfied with the progress made. The Committee desired that States that were lagging behind may be impressed upon for completing the process expeditiously.

(iii) Meeting of the Standing Committee:

Representatives of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs held a briefing meeting with the Standing Committee on Social Justice & Empowerment on the subject "implementation aspect of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 and the Rules made thereunder" on 25th February, 2010. Secretary, TA and other senior officers of the Ministry participated in that briefing meeting.

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 28.02.2010)

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	3,720
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,25,818 {3,18,750 individual and 7,068 community} *
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,10,334
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,88,268
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,80,074
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,73,334
	12) No. of claims rejected	1,31,480 (85,799 at Gram Sabha level and 45,681 at DLC/ SDLC level)
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 1. Land records 2. The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has informed that the implementing officers of three districts i.e. Vizianagaram, East Godavari and Khamman have furnished the revised progress reports. Hence the total number of claims filed and number of titles distributed have been reduced compared to the last month.	

Arunachal Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No. However, Department of Social Welfare has been selected as the Nodal Department for implementation of the Act in the State.
	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	-
	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) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> State Govt. has informed that though they have constituted the SDLC, DLC and SLMC under the Act but unlike the other States where the STs and other traditional forest dwellers are in minority, Arunachal Pradesh is wholly domiciled by various ethnic tribal groups whose land and forests are specifically identified with natural boundaries of hillocks, ranges, rivers and tributaries. Barring few pockets of land under wildlife sanctuaries, reserved forests, most of the land in entire State is community land. Territorial boundaries of land and forest belonging to different communities or tribes are also identified in the same line leaving no scope for any dispute over the possession of land, forest and water bodies among the tribes. Therefore, Forest Rights Act does not have much relevance in Arunachal Pradesh.	-
Assam	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	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	1,01,454 (97,111 individual and 4,343 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,01,345 (97,002 individual and 4,343 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	73,594 (70,576 individual and 3,018 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	72,787 (69,769 individual and 3,018 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	12,056
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) Problems/Remarks: 1. Disputes in settling claims get converted into law and order problem which adversely effects the pace of implementation. 2. Claims from false claimants under the category of other traditional forest dwellers are being received.	-
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	788
	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/Remarks:	Nil
Chhattisgarh	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	Going on in a large scale
	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	4,86,101
	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	2,14,633
	11) Number of titles distributed	2,14,633
	12) No. of claims rejected	2,71,468
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.12.2009 (100% implementation achieved).
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Out of 85 blocks, at least 40 blocks are affected by naxalism and this had slowed down the pace of implementation of Forest Rights Act.	-
Goa	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes

	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Yet to be constituted.
	3) Translation of the Act and the Rules into the regional languages and distribution to Gram Sabha, FRCs etc.	Work 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	Training to PRI Institutions has been imparted.
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	So far 91 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	Nil
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	Nil
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	Nil
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	Nil
	11) Number of titles distributed	Nil
	12) No. of claims rejected	Nil
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Claims in CRZ areas are to be processed. There are objections from OBC population. Progress, therefore, is lagging behind.	-
Gujarat	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	1,86,334 (1,78,207 individual and 8,127 community

	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	88,675 (87,320 individual and 1355 community).
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	23,453
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	14,562
	11) Number of titles distributed	14,562
	12) No. of claims rejected	3,106
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 1. There was some delay in conducting the survey and field verification of claims at site on account of State's officials capability to handle PDA equipments purchased from Forest and Environment Department of Madhya Pradesh. Distribution of the title deeds have been initiated since 26 th January, 2009. 2. Efforts are being made by State Government to implement the Act in non-Scheduled Areas. 3. There are problems of manpower and funds also.	
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 (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.	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	The State Govt. has requested for extension for the completion of the implementation process since the tribal areas will remain cut off due to early snow in the winter till April/May, 2010.
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 1. Pace of implementation of Forest Rights Act in this State has been considerably affected by migration of tribal population from snow-bound areas during winter season last year; 2. Promulgation of Model Code of Conduct from March to May this year for the recent Elections; 3. Sowing season in May and June; 4. a Writ Petition filed in H.P. High Court.	
Jharkhand	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	19,638 FRCs have been constituted.
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	25,220 (24,847 individual and 373 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	7,521
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	3,148
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	2,897
	11) Number of titles distributed	2,505
	12) No. of claims rejected	3,036
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	-

	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Forest areas are affected by left wing extremism.	-
Karnataka	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	Has been started
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	2,482 FRCs have been constituted
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	45,801
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1216
	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	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u>	Nil
Kerala	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	36,822 (35,658 individual and 1,164 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	34,531 (34,363 individual and 168 community)

	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	7,054
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	5,631
	11) Number of titles distributed	3,958
	12) No. of claims rejected	1,107
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-03-2010
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:/Remarks:</u> Due to high density in forest, only manual survey is feasible. This takes much time.	-
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
	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	3,84,466 (3,78,559 individual and 5907 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	3,77,117
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC and sending to DLC	3,55,713
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	3,44,465
	11) Number of titles distributed	72,485 distributed and 31,185 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	2,40,795
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-03-2010
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Fund would be needed for settling the rights of people living inside National park.	-
Maharashtra	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	3,17,322
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,63,294
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	15,745
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	11,367
	11) Number of titles distributed	7,480
	12) No. of claims rejected	422
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	March 2010
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Large number of false claimants have filed claims.	-
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 and also during the Conference held on 4 th and 5 th November 2009. <u>Problems/ Remarks:</u> In tribal communities and tribal chiefs are already holding ownership of forest land as their ancestral land in non-Reserved Forest Area. Therefore, implementation of the Forest Rights Act is perceived minimal in Manipur.	NO RESPONSE
Meghalaya	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	Monitoring Committees at District and Sub-Divisional levels have been set up. The SLMC has been constituted.
	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 information available
	5) Arrangements made for the training of PRI officials, SDLC, DLC members	No information available
	6) Constitution of Forest Rights Committees by the Gram Sabhas	No information available
	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	No projected date fixed so far by the State Government.
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 96% of forest land is owned by clan / community / individuals. Implementation of the Act has, therefore, limited scope.	
Mizoram	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	No
	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	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	No projected date fixed so far by the State Government.
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> The Act is to be approved by the State Legislative Assembly as per the Article 371 (G) of the Constitution. In the sitting on 29.10.2009 of its Fourth Session, the Sixth Legislative Assembly of Mizoram has resolved that the Forest Rights Act shall be adopted in the entire State of Mizoram with effect from 31.12.2009.	

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 landowners. 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. However, a committee has been constituted to examine the applicability of the Act in Nagaland as per provision of Art. 371(A) of Constitution of India	
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
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	3,55,698
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	2,51,413 (2,50,768 individual and 645 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,47,176 (1,46,901 individual and 275 community)
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	1,39,474 (1,39,245 individual and 229 community)
	11) Number of titles distributed	1,32,868 (1,32,700 individual and 168 community)
	12) No. of claims rejected	61,294 (61,901 individual and 23 community)
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	NOT GIVEN
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 1. Forest land in the State is unsurveyed & detailed maps/records are not available; 2. Restrictive Court order.	-
Rajasthan	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	59,900 (59,578 individual and 322 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	40,319 (40,289 individual and 30 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	29,514
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	28,719
	11) Number of titles distributed	14,277
	12) No. of claims rejected	30,029
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31.3.2010 (Due to election code of conduct).
	14) Problems/Remarks:	Nil
Sikkim	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) and have also constituted the various Committees under the Act namely SDLC, DLC and SLMC, but has not sent any report regarding the progress of implementation of the Act in the State so far. <u>Problems/ Remarks:</u> In Sikkim, there are no Forest Dwelling STs and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers in the true sense of the terms. Most of the STs of Sikkim hold revenue land in their own name and they are not solely dependent on the forests for their livelihood.	
Tamil Nadu	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	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	10,766
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	Number not available
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	Number not available
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	Number not available
	11) Number of titles distributed	2,104 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	Number not available
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Title deeds would be distributed after the vacation of restrictive order of Madras High Court.	
Tripura	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	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	1,64,726
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	1,34,745 (1,34,671 individual and 74 community)
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	1,03,317

	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	91,029
	11) Number of titles distributed	84,750
	12) No. of claims rejected	73,697
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) Problems/Remarks:	Nil
Uttar Pradesh	1) Appointment of a Nodal officer	Yes
	2) Status of formation of various Committees (a) SDLC (b) DLC (c)SLMC	39 15 01
	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	1009
	7) No. of claims filed at Gram Sabha level	73,143
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	12,201
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	9,070
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	9,070
	11) Number of titles distributed	9,070 distributed
	12) No. of claims rejected	57,507
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) Problems/Remarks:	Nil
Uttarakhand	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	-
	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	182
	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	1
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	31-12-2009 (over)
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> Formation of committees could not be done earlier due to the coming into force of model code of conduct for elections. The pace of implementation of Forest Rights Act was therefore adversely affected.	
West Bengal	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	1,41,783 (1,31,664 individual and 10,119 community)
	8) No. of claims recommended by Gram Sabha to SDLC	36,312
	9) No. of claims recommended by SDLC to DLC	24,123
	10) No. of claims approved by DLC for title	20,846

	11) Number of titles distributed	18,001 distributed, 2,721 ready
	12) No. of claims rejected	55,990
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	State requires more time for completion of the process.
	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> 1. The State Government has informed that formation of 7 FRCs in Jalpaiguri District and all FRCs in 3 Sub-Divisions of Darjeeling District is held up due to grave political disturbances; and 2. non-functioning of Gram Panchayats in Darjeeling District. Political disturbance in West Midnapur, Bankura, Purulia and Darjeeling affected pace of implementation of Forest Rights Act in these districts considerably.	
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	-
	12) No. of claims rejected	-
	13) Projected date for distribution of title deeds	-

	<p>14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u></p> <p>The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has informed that there are no non-tribal forest dwellers as defined in the Act in A&N Islands. The Act, therefore, 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 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.</p> <p>The Ministry had clarified the above issue to the Administration of Daman & Diu in the month of January, 2009.</p>	No progress. MHA has been informed.
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	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.	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	-
	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	No projected date fixed so far by the UT Admn.	

	14) <u>Problems/Remarks:</u> The Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli has informed this Ministry that despite notices in advance and propaganda, it has been difficult to hold gram sabha meetings in absence of quorum of 2/3 of all members of such gram sabhas. All out efforts are being made for constitution of Forest Rights Committees in all the gram sabhas. Position in this regard will be known shortly.	
Lakshadweep	The UT Administration has intimated that there are no terrestrial forests and no forest tribes or traditional forest dwellers in Lakshadweep.	
Puducherry	The 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.	

Annexure-II**(A) Statement of claims and distribution of title deeds under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006****(As on 28.02.2010)**

S. No	State	Number of claims received upto 31.01.10	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.2010	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.01.10	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 28.02.2010
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,25,818 {3,18,750 individual and 7,068 community}	-	3,25,818 {3,18,750 individual and 7,068 community}	1,73,334 distributed	-	1,73,334 distributed
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Assam	1,01,454 (97,111 individual and 4,343 community)	-	1,01,454 (97,111 individual and 4,343 community)	12,056 distributed (12,008 individual and 48 community)	-	12,056 distributed (12,008 individual and 48 community)
4.	Bihar	788	-	788	-	-	-
5.	Chhattisgarh	4,86,101	-	4,86,101	2,14,633 distributed	-	2,14,633 distributed
6.	Goa	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.	Gujarat	1,86,334 (1,78,207 individual and 8,127 community)	-	1,86,334 (1,78,207 individual and 8,127 community)	11,382 distributed	3,180 distributed	14,562 distributed
8.	Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-	-	-	-
9.	Jharkhand	25,220 (24,847 individual and 371 community)	-	25,220 (24,847 individual and 371 community)	2,505 distributed	-	2,505 distributed
10.	Karnataka	45,801	-	45,801	-	-	-
11.	Kerala	36,807 (35,643 individual and 1164 community).	15 individual claims	36,822 (35,658 individual and 1164 community).	3,310 distributed	648 distributed	3,958 distributed
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3,84,466 (3,78,559 individual and 5907 community)	-	3,84,466 (3,78,559 individual and 5907 community)	72,485 distributed and 31,185 ready.	-	72,485 distributed and 31,185 ready.

S. No	State	Number of claims received upto 31.01.10	Claims received during the current month	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.2010	Title deeds Distributed/ ready upto 31.01.10	Title deeds distributed/ ready during the current month	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 28.02.2010
13.	Maharashtra	3,03,960	13,362	3,17,322	2,453 distributed	5,027 distributed	7,480 distributed
14.	Manipur	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.	Meghalaya	-	-	-	-	-	-
16.	Mizoram	-	-	-	-	-	-
17.	Orissa	3,29,514 (3,27,619 individual and 1,895 community)	26,184	3,55,698	97,595 (97,537 individual and 58 community) distributed	35,273 (35,163 individual and 110 community) distributed	1,32,868 (1,32,700 individual and 168 community) distributed
18.	Rajasthan	59,900	-	59,900 (59,578 individual and 322 community)	14,171 distributed	106 distributed	14,277 distributed
19.	Sikkim	-	-	-	-	-	-
20.	Tamil Nadu	9,355	1,411	10,766	1,764 ready*	340 ready	2,104 ready*
21.	Tripura	1,64,726	-	1,64,726	84,750 distributed	-	84,750 distributed
22.	Uttar Pradesh	70,033	3,110	73,143	3302 distributed and 4604 ready	5,768 distributed	9,070 distributed
23.	Uttarakhand	182	-	182	-	-	-
24.	West Bengal	1,41,783 (1,31,664 individual and 10,119 community)	-	1,41,783 (1,31,664 individual and 10,119 community)	17,360 distributed and 403 ready	641 distributed and 2318 ready	18,001 distributed and 2,721 ready
25.	A & N Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-
26.	Daman & Diu	-	-	-	-	-	-
27.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	26,72,242	44,082	27,16,324	7,09,336 distributed and 37,956 ready.	50,643 distributed and 2658 ready	7,59,979 distributed and 36,010 ready.

* In the State of Tamil Nadu, titles could not be distributed due to restrictive High Court's order.

(B) Statement showing ranking in terms of percentage of titles distributed over number of claims received in each State under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

(As on 28.02.2010)

S. No	State	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.10	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 28.02.10	Percentage of titles distributed over number of claims received
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,25,818	1,73,334 distributed	53.20%
2.	Tripura	1,64,726	84,750 distributed	51.45%
3.	Chhattisgarh	4,86,101	2,14,633 distributed	44.15%
4.	Orissa	3,55,698	1,32,868 distributed	37.35%
5.	Rajasthan	59,900	14,277 distributed	23.83%
6.	Tamil Nadu#	10,766	2,104 ready#	19.54%#
7.	Madhya Pradesh	3,84,466	72,485 distributed and 31,185 ready.	18.85%
8.	West Bengal	1, 41,783	18,001 distributed and 2,721 ready	12.69%
9.	Uttar Pradesh	73,143	9,070 distributed	12.40%
10.	Assam	1,01,454	12,056 distributed	11.88%
11.	Kerala	36,822	3,958 distributed	10.75%
12.	Jharkhand	25,220	2,505 distributed	9.93%
13.	Gujarat	1,86,334	14,562 distributed	7.80%
14.	Maharashtra	3,17,322	7,480 distributed	2.30%
15.	Karnataka	45,801	Nil	0.00%
16.	Bihar	788	Nil	0.00%
17.	Uttarakhand	182	Nil	0.00%
18.	Arunachal Pradesh*	-	-	-
19.	Goa*	-	-	-
20.	Himachal Pradesh*	-	-	-
21.	Manipur*	-	-	-
22.	Meghalaya*	-	-	-
23.	Mizoram*	-	-	-

S. No	State	Total number of claims received upto 28.02.10	Total number of titles deeds distributed/ ready upto 28.02.10	Percentage of titles distributed over number of claims received
24	Sikkim*	-	-	-
25	A & N Islands*	-	-	-
26	Daman & Diu*	-	-	-
27	Dadra & Nagar Haveli*	-	-	-
	Total	27,16,324	7,59,979 distributed and 36,010 ready.	27.97%

* No claims received.

Restrictive High Court's order.

ANNEXURE-III**Status of implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 in the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected States****(As on 28.02.2010)**

S.No.	State	No. of Claims received	No. of titles distributed	No. of claims rejected	Total No of Claims Disposed & %age of disposal
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3,25,818	1,73,334	1,31,480	3,04,814 (93.55%)
2.	Bihar	788	-	-	- (0%)
3.	Chhattisgarh	4,86,101	2,14,633	2,71,468	4,86,101 (100%)
4.	Jharkhand	25,220	2,505	3,036	5,541 (21.97%)
5.	Madhya Pradesh	3,84,466	72,485	2,40,795	3,13,280 (81.48%)
6.	Maharashtra	3,17,322	7,480	422	7,902 (02.49%)
7.	Orissa	3,55,698	1,32,868	61,294	1,94,162 (54.59%)
8.	Uttar Pradesh	73,143	9,070	57,507	66,577 (91.02%)

Annexure-IV**List of States/UTs that are not uploading the web-site**
<http://forestrights.gov.in> :**(As on 28.02.2010)****(A) List of States Not Entering Committee 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 Claim 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

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

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

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