

Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Transformational Initiatives of Ministry of Tribal Affairs in 9 years

PM PVTG Mission:

In the budget of 2023, Government announced a mission on the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. 22,544 villages having about 28 lakh PVTG population have been identified for saturating basic services under the scheme. An amount of Rs. 15000 Crores have been announced in the Union Budget 2023-24 for implementation of the mission during 2023-24 to 2025-26 under Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes. The benefits of various schemes of line Ministries have not adequately covered PVTG communities as they live in dispersed habitations in remote forests, mountains.

11th and 12th June 2023: PVTG MEET The Hon'ble President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu invited 20 members each from 75 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) communities at Rashtrapati Bhavan on June 12th, 2023. The members of PVTGs had a guided tour of Rashtrapati Bhavan and Amrit Udyan. President had group photo with every PVTG group in Amrit Udyan.

- PVTGs from different states of the country visited the Parliament House. On this occasion, the Hon'ble Lok Sabha Speaker, Shri Om Birla, addressed the gathering in the Central Hall of the Parliament and interacted with the PVTG guests.
- It is historical that PVTG communities were invited by Hon. President to Rashtrapati Bhawan, and that Hon. Speaker addressed them in Central Hall of Parliament.
- The guests also visited NTRI and Ambedkar Bhawan and had interaction with NCST and were briefed about different schemes of the Ministry.

Nodal Officers for each PVTG community: The Ministry has appointed 1 nodal officer for each PVTG community and they are visiting their habitations to understand their requirements.

Visit to Andaman and Nicobar Islands: Sh. Arjun Munda with team of officers from Ministry visited PVTG communities Onges, Andamanese, Shompen and Zarawas and interacted with them. The MTA also reviewed the work done by UT Admin for welfare of these communities.

Coordination and convergence with line Ministries: Ministry is coordinating with line Ministries, namely MORD, DOSEL, Water Resources, MoHFW, MoPower, MNRE, WCD for saturating gaps in area of road connectivity, education, health etc in their habitations.

2. Sickle Cell Anemia Elimination Mission has been announced in the Union Budget 2023-24.

A Mission to eliminate Sickle Cell Anaemia by 2047 will be launched. It will entail awareness creation, universal screening of 7 crore people in the age group of 0-40 years in affected tribal areas, and counselling through collaborative efforts of central ministries and state governments.

Ministry is developing awareness and IEC material for sickle cell patients and interacting with State Governments, technical experts and other stakeholders.

3. Eklavya Model Residential Schools

In the next three years, 38,800 teachers and support staff will be recruited centrally for the 740 Eklavya Model Residential Schools, serving 3.5 lakh tribal students.

- The Ministry formulated a new Central Sector Scheme in 2019, where in every block with 50% or more ST population and 20,000 or more tribal persons will have an EMRS, to be at par with Navodaya Vidyalayas. 452 new schools will be set up in remote tribal areas. With 288 schools already sanctioned, total 740 schools will be set up.
- The construction cost of EMRS enhanced in 2021-22 from Rs. 20 cr and Rs. 24 cr in Plain and Hilly areas to Rs. 38cr and Rs. 48 cr respectively for 452 new schools.
- There is provision of upgradation of old schools @Rs 5 cr per school and setting up of 15 Centres of Excellence for Sports @ Rs 5 cr each.
- By March 2026, in 740 such schools (480 students each), more than 3.5 lakh tribal students will have quality education.
- An amount of Rs. 28919.72 crore has been allocated under the scheme.

Scheme/Intervention	2013-14	2023-24
Budget Outlay	Rs. 278.76 Crore (As a component under Article 275 (1) of Constitution)	Rs. 2000 crore (Separate Central Sector Scheme)
Sanctioned Schools	167	690
Functional Schools	119	401
Recurring Cost	Rs. 42,000 per student per annum	Rs. 1,09,000 per student per annum

Scheme/Intervention	2013-14	2023-24
Capital Cost	Rs. 12.00 crore (Plain) Rs. 16 crores (Hilly, NE, LWE)	Rs. 37.80 crore (plain), Rs. 48 crore (Hilly, NE, LWE)
Schools affiliated to CBSE	69	277
Enrolments	34365	113275

- In 2013-14, 167 schools were sanctioned, which has increased to 693 in 2022-23.
- In 2013-14, 119 schools were functional, while in 2022-23, 401 schools are functional as on date.
- In Budget 2023-24, it has been announced to recruit 38,800 teachers and support staff for EMRS.
- In 175 schools' smart classes are being set up by the Ministry of Electronics and IT.
- EMRS MIS Portal has been created to maintain data base of students, schools, teachers and for reviewing construction and financial progress.

4. Scholarship Schemes: Ministry implements 5 scholarship schemes under which scholarship is given to more than 30 lakh students every year with annual budget of more than Rs. 2500 cr. Integration of State's Portal of Pre-matric and Post-matric Schemes with DBT Tribal Portal and with DBT Bharat Portal has resulted in paradigm shift in monitoring from paper based UC to data based; and substantial reduction in scholarship release time has been achieved.

Scholarships		
Pre Matric, Post Matric; National Fellowship, Top class Scholarship; National Overseas Scholarship		
	2013-14	2023-24
Budget outlay	Rs. 978.00 crore	App Rs. 2500 crore
Inviting and processing of applications	Manual	Online Applications through portal and DBT

- An amount of more than Rs. 15,000 crore has been disbursed in last 9 years and on an average 30 lakh students benefit from these schemes every year.
- 5000 of students have taken benefit of Fellowship scheme for doing MPhil and PhD and -75 of students have taken admission in various foreign Universities for doing

higher education and about 6000 students taken admission in top class Institutes like IIT, AIIMS, IIM under the Central Sector Scheme run by Ministry

5. Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna : Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna, aimed at integrated development of 36,428 villages with more than 500 tribal population and 50% or more ST persons.

- These villages are located in 458 districts, 2361 blocks and 24775 Gram Panchayats covering 332 parliamentary constituencies and 1.02 cr households and ST population of 4.2 cr.
- Convergence has been planned with 58 schemes of Central Government having Schedule Tribe Component & State Government Schemes to bridge various gaps.
- An amount of Rs. 7400 cr has been earmarked under the program for 5 years and about 2000 cr released already to states.
- **4242** villages under PMAAGY are from the North-Eastern Region.

6. Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission (PMJVM) seeks to achieve livelihood driven tribal development across the country by providing forward and backward linkages by setting up Van Dhan Vikas Kendras / Van Dhan Producer Enterprises apart from assisting the States to make procurement of Minor Forest Produce at Minimum Support Price. There is also provision of setting up 3000 Haat Bazars and 600 Warehouses under the scheme. An amount of Rs. 1612 cr. has been approved under PMJVM scheme for five years. TRIFED is the implementing agency for the Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission (the PMJVM)

- **77 MFPs** were added in the list of notified items of MFPs to be covered under MSP for MFP scheme since 2014-15. Total MFPs being covered under MSP as on date are 87.
- An amount of **Rs. 319.65 crores** were released to State Governments as revolving funds for procurements of MFPs. Total procurement of **Rs. 544.65 crores** were made so far.
- An amount of **Rs. 89.14 crores** were released to State Governments for creation of infrastructure under which **1316 haat bazaars, 603 small storage units and 22 processing units** were sanctioned.

- Van Dhan Karyakram for value addition of forest produces and to encourage spirit of entrepreneurship among tribal communities was started in 2019 under which **3555 Van Dhan Vikas Kendras (VDVKs)** covering about **10.63 lakhs** in **28 States/ UTs** were sanctioned.
- **73** new Tribes India Outlets were opened through which tribal products worth of **Rs. 182.03 Crores** were procured from more than 2000 empanelled tribal artisans.
- TRIFED started a new concept of organizing 'Aadi Mahotsav' - Festival of Craft, Culture, Cuisine and Commerce in all major cities across the country in the year 2017-18. The event comprises display and sale of tribal art and craft, tribal medicine, tribal cuisine. Tribal craft demonstrations and tribal folk performance are also organised. All these put together under one roof provide a glimpse of the rich traditional culture of tribal communities of our country.
- TRIFED successfully organized **37** Aadi Mahotsavs across the country that resulted in providing direct benefit to **7700+** Tribal artisans who participated in the event and realised sales of more than **Rs. 38.00 crores**.
- Keeping in line with the mission of "Be Vocal for Local", TRIFED organized Aadi Mahotsav at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi from 16th -27th February, 2023. The tribal festival was inaugurated by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. About **1011 nos.** of tribal artisans, artists, healers, chefs and cultural troupes participated from across the country which includes **63** new participants, **28** live demos, **29** GI authorised users, **29** PVTGs and **38** Shree Anna (Millets) participants.
- Since 2014-15 onwards, TRIFED organized/participated in more than **1800 exhibitions** at State Capitals, important cities and tourist places across the country.
- An amount of **Rs. 239.11 crores** were realised on sales of tribal products through offline and online platforms including that of Aadi Mahotsavs.
- Hon'ble President addressed more than 15,000 women SHG members in Khunti in Jharkhand on 25th May 2023.

7. Forest Rights Act

Under Forest Rights Act 2006, a total of 21.99 lakh Individual titles and a total of 1.08 lakh Community titles have been distributed.

8. Budget of Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Development Action Plan for STs (DAPST)

- For the development of ST communities across the country, the annual budget of Ministry of Tribal Affairs has been on continuous increase. In 2023-24, **a budget of Rs. 12461.88 Crores** has been allocated to the Ministry which is 3 times compared to the budget in 2013-14 of Rs. 4295.94 Crore.
- Massive 5 times increase has been made in the Budget allocation under Scheduled Tribe Component Funds. The allocation during 2013-14 was Rs. 24,598 Crores, which has been increased to Rs 1,19,509 Crores during 2023-24 across Union Ministries/Departments.
- 42 Union Ministries/Departments have been allocated Budget Grants under the DAPST for schemes of development for STs.

9. Grants to states: Funds are released to States under Article 275(1) Constitution of India, erstwhile SCA to TSS, PVTG scheme and TRI Scheme for schemes of tribal welfare and development. An amount of more than Rs 25,000 cr has been released to states in last 9 years for more than 5000 projects under different schemes.

10. Grant in Aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of STs: In last 9 years, about 900 cr has been released to about 200 NGOs for about 250 projects working in field of education, Livelihood and health in respect of tribal population.

11. Scheme of Support to Tribal Research Institute:

- Ministry of Tribal Affairs under the “Support to Tribal Research Institute” has sanctioned funds for construction of building of 10 new TRIs after since 2014 namely Andhra Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Karnataka, Arunachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Meghalaya and Goa.
- Under the scheme Ministry has sanctioned 10 Museums for Tribal Freedom Fighter since 2017-18 in States of Gujarat, Jharkhand, Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Manipur, Mizoram and Goa.

12. 15th November has been declared as “Janjatiya Gaurav Divas” on the Birth Anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda in year 2021. More than 200 events have been organised.

- PM addressed Maha Jan sabha in MP on 15th November 2021.
- Vice president, Various Governors and CMs attended state level programs in different states.

- President visited birth place of Bhagwan Birsa Munda in Ulihatu on 15th November 2021 and Khunti in May 2023.
