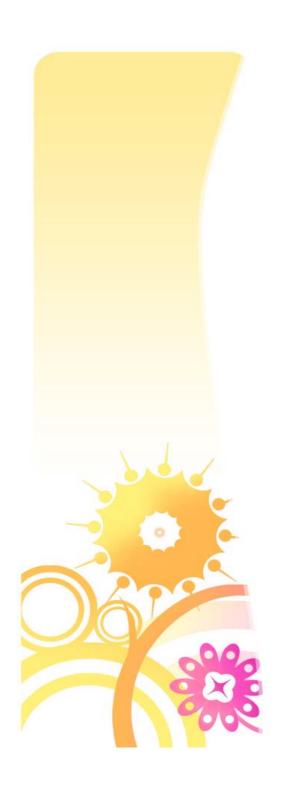
Government of Karnataka



Department of welfare of Scheduled Tribes, Bengaluru

WELCOME

Information to the National Meeting in partnership with UNDP on 03.12.2012 at New Delhi to review the final action plan on FRA



Name of the state

Karnataka

Name and Designation of Presenter

E. Venkataiah,
Principal Secretary,
Social Welfare Department,
Bengaluru.

Action Plan for Training and Awareness Raising on FRA

- Amended rules have been translated in to local language and circulated among members of the Forest Rights Committee, SDLC, DLC and other implementing officers.
- Instruction have already been given to Deputy Commissioners, District Tribal Officers and Forest officials to take action to create awareness among public, committee members through work shops, pamphlets, banners, hoardings etc.,

- For this purpose Rs.151.64 lakhs has been released to the Districts
- Director and Senior officers of the Tribal Welfare Department have visited Districts, held meetings, with the DCs, DCFs, CEOs of ZPs and other officers.

Details of training plan for field officials:

- The members of the FRCs, SDLCs, DLCs have been trained.
- Public awareness has been created through pamphlets, banners, hoardings etc.,
- Action is being taken to train the members of all the three committees and DCs are already instructed to take action to create public awareness in view of the amended rules.

Formation of DLC and SDLC

- Government have issued orders dated:02.04.2008 constituting the SDLC and DLC in all the Sub Divisions and Districts of the state.
- How many DLCs and SDLCs are yet to be formed, if any?

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 If DLCs and /SDLCs are not constituted as per the rules, have these been rectified? If not by when is it planned to be rectified?



Does not arise

Summary of Achievements on implementation of FRA

- All the three level committees have been constituted.
- Awareness camps are conducted.
- Applications invited by the FRCs.

Progress

Scheduled Tribes Forest Dwellers

A. Number of applications received - 20604

Number of title deeds issued - 6162

Number of applications rejected - 13616

Other Traditional Forest Dwellers

B. Number of applications received

- 139870

Number of title deeds issued

75

Number of applications rejected

- 139794

Community Forest Resource Rights

C. Number of applications received

2896

Number of title deeds issued

53

Number of applications rejected

- 2191

Reasons for rejection of claims

- 1. Claimants are not dwelling in the forest area.
- 2. OTFD Claimants not proved themselves as forest dwellers/depend on the forest or forest land by providing required documents for 75 yrs.
- 3. Residing in Revenue land.
- 4. In a family more than one member filed application.
- 5. Some of the claimants are already relocated by forest department.
- 6. Occupied forest land after 13-12-2005.

Action Plan for formation of Forest Rights Committees

- In view of the amended rules, Forest Rights Committees to be reconstituted enhancing the number of Scheduled Tribe members to two third.
- In some districts the number of scheduled tribe members in the forest rights committees is more than two third. Hence there is no need to reconstitute the committees in those districts.
- In the remaining districts action is already taken to reconstitute the committees as per amended rules in 30 days time.

Action Plan for Community Forest Resource Rights

- So far 53 community forest resource rights have been issued in 53 villages.
- DCs and other implementing officers have been instructed to take action to dispose off all the community forest resource rights applications within a months time.
- Implementing officers are also requested to take action to invite fresh applications through FRCs by giving wide publication.

Strategy for Monitoring and Evaluation

- Implementation of the act is being monitored at SDLC and DLC
- State level monitoring committee headed by chief secretary, regularly holds state level monitoring committee meetings and monitor the progress.
- Deputy Commissioners, Deputy conservator of forests are also invited to the SLMC and suitable instructions are given for proper implementation of the act.
- To evaluate the proper implementation of the act, the work will be assigned to the reputed institutions.

Strategy for Post Recognition of Rights Support

- To create the infrastructure to the colonies and to develop the lands of title deed holders, an amount of Rs.20.00 crore has been earmarked under the state fund and Rs.15.00 crore has already been released to the concerned Deputy Commissioners.
- The following works are proposed to be taken up:
 - a) Providing infrastructure to the colonies like CC roads, Drainage, Drinking water, Community halls, Sanitation, Solar lighting etc.,

 b) Providing irrigation facilities by drilling bore wells under Ganga Kalyana scheme and also leveling the lands of title deed holders, construction of check dams, vented dams, nalabund etc.,

C) Make available all schemes being implemented by various departments to the title deed holders.

Action Plan for Review of Rejections

 SDLCs and DLCs have been instructed to review the rejected cases in detail, when appeals are filed before them.

Final Commitments from the State

 In view of the amendments in rules, calendar of events have been drawn by the state level monitoring committee presided by chief secretary, Government of Karnataka held on 30.11.2012 in consultation with RDPR, Revenue, Forest and Social Welfare departments.

Calendar of Events

- Translation of the amended rules into kannada languages and distributed to all concerned
- 2) Reconstituting the FRCs and awareness programme to all the members of FRCs, SDLCs, DLCs and public.

Days

- Already done

30 days

- 3) Inviting fresh applications by Forest Rights Committees
- 30 days

- 4) Dispose off the applications after observing all formalities by FRCs
- 60 days

- 5) To finalize the applications received from FRCs by SDLCs
- 60 days

6) To finalize the applications received from SDLCs and to issue title deeds by DLCs

- 30 days

