## GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA ST & SC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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No. 21470 / SSD, Bhubaneswar Dated 09.12.2019

From

Shri Sachin R. Jadhav, IAS

Director, ST.

To

All Collectors cum Chairpersons on FRA.

Sub.: Monthly Progress Report (MPR) on implementation of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.

Ref.:- D.O. letter bearing No.23011/3/2016-FRA dated 16.10.2019 of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of the letter dated 16.10.2019 received from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India on the subject cited above, the contents of which are self-explanatory.

In this connection, it is reiterated that instructions have already been issued to all districts to furnish the MPR on FRA by 5<sup>th</sup> of each succeeding month in Excel format. But, many districts are not abiding to this timeline and few are also not furnishing the same on regular basis. Besides, discrepancies in the data being submitted are often noticed and mostly differs from the data of previous month, even showing reduced number of claims received and claims rejected at various level. Such an action on the part of the District level Nodal Officers on FRA puts us in embarrassing position and even clarifications sought in the matter from the concerned districts are often not being received in time.

You are aware that the matter of implementation of FRA is being heard in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide WP(C) No.109/2008 and the Chief Secretary, Odisha has already filed an affidavit indicating the details of receipt of claims and its rejection at various level, category wise. At this juncture, reducing the numbers on those specific points/ issues would tantamount to contempt of the Hon'ble Court on our part and may lead to serious consequences in future.

On going through the MPRs on FRA for the month of August and September, 2019 received from the districts, it is observed that about 22 districts have reduced the receipt data & rejected figure in respect of IFR claims and the statement attached herein as **Annexure-A** & **B** list out the details of such discrepancies /anomaly noticed.

I would therefore, request you to consider the gravity of the matter and direct the concerned officials to rectify the errors indicated in Annexure-A & B & also to ensure submission of the MPR on FRA in the prescribed Excel format complete in all respects by 5<sup>th</sup> of each succeeding month on regular basis after thorough scrutiny at their end.

This may please be treated as MOST URGENT.

Yours faithfully,

Director, ST.

Memo No. 21471 / SSD Dt. 09.12.2019

Copy along with copy of the enclosure sent to all Nodal Officers under FRA (9 PA, ITDAs &21 DWOs) for information and necessary action.

Director, ST.

Annexure-A
Statement indicating District-wise discrepancies found on IFR claims received for the month of August & September,

2019 with respect to the Affidavit filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Sl. No.	Name of the Dist.		receipt of I			s as report for Augus			ns reported eptember, 2		Remarks						
NO.		ST	OTFD	Total	ST	OTFD	Total	ST	OTFD	Total							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12						
1	Cuttack	4274	1649	5923	5923	0	5923	5923	0	5923	Data as regard OTFD has been reported Nil during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019						
2	Jajpur	8209	2255	10464	10464	0	10464	The second secon	eived MPR of Septembe		Data as regard OTFD has been reported Nil during the month of Aug., 2019						
3	Kendrapara	1146	2909	4055	334	3721	4055	334	3721	4055	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019						
4	Khurda	3536	93	3629	3463	166	3629	And the state of t	eived MPR of Septembe		Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug., 2019						
5	Mayurbhanj	65014	4009	69023	65014	4009	69023	67241	0	67241	Data as regard OTFD and Total received have been reduced in MPR Sept., 2019.						
6	Nayagarh	4202	100	4302	4302	0	4302	4302	0	4302	Data as regard OTFD received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
7	Bargarh	2076	1238	3314	1735	1579	3314	1735	1579	3314	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
8	Bolangir	5529	3294	8823	5429	3606	9035	5429	3606	9035	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
9	Dhenkanal	12140	460	12600	12091	509	12600	12091	509	12600	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019						
10	Jharsuguda	6363	2841	9204	9204	0	9204	9204	0	9204	Data as regard OTFD received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
11	Keonjhar	67980	6502	74482	74716	0	74716	74716	0	74716	-do-						
12	Sambalpur	27849	6350	34199	24062	7992	32054	24062	7992	32054	Data as regard ST and Total received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
13	Subarnapur	952	624	1576	951	625	1576	951	625	1576	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.						
14	Sundargarh	33160	7151	40311	40311	0	40311	40311	0	40311	Data as regard OTFD received is nil during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019						
15	Boudh	2492	1007	3499	3499	0	3499	Not received MPR for the month of September, 2019						Not received MPR for the month of September, 2019			Data as regard OTFD received is nil during the month of Aug., 2019
16	Gajapati	50501	1960	52461	52461	0	52461	52461 0 52461			Data as regard OTFD received is nil during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019						

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17	Ganjam	9990	2967	12957	9442	3515	12957	Not received MPR for the month of September, 2019			Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of Aug., 2019
18	Kalahandi	11409	349	11758	11758	0	11758	Not rece	eived MPR of Septembe	for the	Data as regard OTFD received is nil during the month of Aug., 2019
19	Kandhamal	58931	1415	60346	60346	0	60346	60346	0	60346	OTFD received is nil during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019
20	Koraput	33646	1949	35595	33387	2208	35595	33387	2208	35595	Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of August and September, 2019
21	Malkangiri	36867	2482	39349	36458	2891	39349	36458 2891 <b>39349</b>			Data as regard ST received have been reduced during the month of August and September, 2019
22	Nuapada	17961	5296	23257	14232	8651	22883		eived MPR of Septemb		Data as regard ST and Total received have been reduced during the month of Aug., 2019

## Annexure-B

## Statement indicating District-wise discrepancies found on IFR claims rejected for the month of August & September, 2019 with respect to the Affidavit filed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

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N	Dist.	ST	OTFD	Total	ST	OTFD	Total	ST	OTFD	Total				
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1	Nayagarh	6	100	106	106	0	106	106	0	106	Data as regard rejection of claims of OTFD have been reduced during the month of Aug. & Sept., 2019.			
2	Kandhamal	0 0 0		0		9	9		9	.9	Data as regard DLC rejection have not been mentioned category-wise			

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F. No. 23011/3/2016-FRA/ Ministry of Tribal Affairs (FRA Division)

> 401 B Wing, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, 110001 Dated: - 16th October,2019

To,

The Principal Secretaries Tribal Welfare Department, All State Governments

Subject: Monthly Progress Report (MPR) on implementation of The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (in short FRA, 2006)

Sir/ Madam,

Ministry of Tribal Affairs, being nodal Ministry for implementation of FRA, 2006 at the central level, monitors implementation of the Act through reports furnished by the State Governments on progress made by them on implementation of FRA, 2006 in their respective State. This Ministry Compiles Monthly Progress Report (MPR) every month on the basis of the information received from the State Governments. MPR are also regularly sent to PMO as it is also being monitored at PMO level.

- 2. It has, however, beenobserved by this Ministry during compilation of MPR that many State Governments either have not been furnishing detailed and complete informationas per prescribed format on the progress made in implementation of FRA, 2006 since long or showing stagnant performance (giving impression that no claim has been received and examined for recognition) over the long period. This Ministry vide its letter of even no. dated 07.11.2016 requested State Governments to send information as per the prescribed format on a regular basis (Copy enclosed).
- 3. Many State Governments have not been furnishing the information on regular basis i.e. on monthly basis to this Ministry. Their information is being sent in a very sporadic manner. Due to non-furnishing of detailed information by the States in a regular manner, the MPR complied by this Ministry on monthly basis does not present updated progress of states on implementation of FRA, 2006.
- 4. Further it has also been observed by this Ministry while compiling MPR, State Governments have not been sending the reports in the requisite MS Excel based proforma, circulated by the Ministry for collecting information/ data from the States.

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- 5. Ministry vide its letter dated 7th November 2016 alsoreiterated tosend the information in MS Excel based proforma through email and it was also clarified that no hard copy/ scanned copy is required to be sent in respect ofMPRs. Information is, however not being sent accordingly and it is still being furnished in MS Word format or through scanned copy. This Excel format indicates relevant field for which information is required to be submitted by State Governments. The same format was also mailed to the concerned State Governments officers. Barring a few State Governments, they have been furnishing information in different formats. As a result, requisite information as indicated in the excel format is not being furnished by many State Governments. A copy of excel format is enclosed for ready reference please.
- 6. In addition, special attention is needed to be given on discrepancy in data reported by State Governments on various occasions. This Ministry has observed at various points of time that the data furnished by the States differs widely from the data of preceding months even showing reduced number of received claims, titles given and extent of forest land distributed. For this, the Ministry seeks clarifications from State Governments. Clarifications are more often than not received from State Governments. State Governments are, therefore, requested to send corrected data after fully verifying the same at ground level and if any anomaly or discrepancy is noted subsequently after field verification by the State Government, the reasons for such discrepancy must be furnished to this Ministry along with corrected figure to be reflected in MPR.
- 7. In view of the above, State Governments are requested to send the MPR related information, complete in all respects. Care should be taken that all columns are duly filled in unless special reason prevent furnishing of particular information on regular basis, duly reconciled, as elaborated above with all the data given as per MS Excel format only.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(Manoj Bapna) Director

Tel.: 011-23070508

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MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

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Dated: 07th November, 2016

D.O. No. 23011/03/2016-FRA

Dear Sh Meina,

As you are aware, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, being nodal Ministry for implementation of The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA in short) at the central level, monitors implementation of the Act through Monthly Progress Reports (MPR) received from the State Governments. This Ministry also compiles such reports every month and sends it to PMO as it is also being monitored at PMO level.

- 2. I would like to draw your kind attention to MS Excel based proforma that this Ministry had circulated in the month of September, 2016 for collecting information/data from the States.
- 3. As per the new format, District-wise information is required to be sent instead of the implementation status for the whole State.
- 4. It has been more than 2 (two) months since the new format was circulated, no information has been received in the new format from your State despite persuasion over phone and email.
- 3. I would, therefore, be highly obliged if you could kindly look into the matter personally and ensure that information in MS Excel based proforma is sent to this Ministry through email at the earliest. The information may be sent to the following email ID <a href="mailto:uttam.kk@nic.in">uttam.kk@nic.in</a>. It is again clarified that no hard copy/scanned copy is required to be sent in respect to MPRs.

Yours sincerely.

(Rajesh Agarwal)

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Tribal Development Department,
Government of Gujarat,
Sardar Patel Bhawan,
Block No. 8, 6th Floor,
New Secretariat, Gandhinagar – 382010

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