

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
ST & SC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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From

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Officer on Special Duty

To,

All Nodal Officers under FRA (9 PA, ITDAs & 21 DWOs)

Sub.:- Proceedings of the review meeting held on 22.12.2020 through virtual mode on issues concerning implementation of FRA.

Sir/ Madam,

In inviting reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to send herewith the proceedings of the review meeting held on 22.12.2020 through virtual mode on issues concerning implementation of FRA under the Chairpersonship of the Director, ST for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


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Officer on Special Duty

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Officer on Special Duty

Proceedings of the Review Meeting held on 22.12.2020 at 11.30 AM through virtual mode on issues concerning Implementation of FRA.

A meeting to review few important issues on effective implementation of Forest Rights Act & its Amended Rules, 2012 was held under the Chairpersonship of the Director, (ST), ST & SC Development Department on 22.12.2020 at 11.30 AM through virtual mode, wherein Officer on Special Duty, (SSD), Project Officers, FRA Cell (UNDP), SSD and district level Nodal Officers on FRA attended. As per the agenda of the meeting, following issues were discussed and decisions taken:

1. **Review of progress of disposal of rejected claims:**. As per the reports received through the MPRs, it is noted that till the end of November, 2020, only 14,197 more rejected claims have been finally considered by the DLCs of 10 districts, thus leaving a balance of about 1,13,423 more claims for disposal. Statement indicating district wise data is attached herein as **Annexure-1**. During the meeting, PA, ITDA, Parlakhemundi, Sundargarh, Keonjhar and Baripada claimed that more number of rejected claims have been considered by the DLCs of their districts but those have not been reflected in the data being shown through the presentation. It was explained that since the incremental figure (data) relating to disposal of rejected claims has not been reported in the format prescribed for the MPR, so those have not been taken into account. Director, ST requested the concerned Nodal Officers to modify their MPRs and furnish the same to the Department by 23.12.2020 through e-mail, so that those updated figures could be reconciled and incorporated in the MPRs being sent to MoTA. Nodal Officers were also instructed to look into the matter on priority, since the compliance affidavit filed in the Supreme Court of India in WP (C) no.109/2008 by the Chief Secretary, Odisha indicates about its disposal by March,2020. They were requested to ensure its early disposal by convening SDLC and DLC meetings on regular basis and ensure its completion by the end of January, 2021.
2. **Prompt & Expeditious disposal of pending claims:** During the presentation, since the slides showing the district wise pending claims were displayed without duly deducting the data pertaining to already disposed of cases through final rejection by the DLCs concerned, further discussion on the same could not be held. However, the modified statement indicating district wise pendency is attached herein as **Annexure-2**. In this connection, request made through this Department's letter No.17841/SSD dt.15.12.2020 indicating pendency of Community claims (CR) as well as Community Forest Resources (CFR) claims though approved by the DLCs concerned addressed to the 11 districts was reiterated and the concerned Nodal Officers were impressed upon to ensure its distribution by 31.01.2021 and report compliance by 10.02.2021 positively.

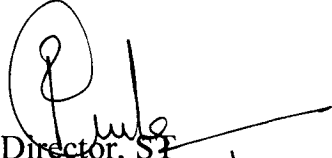
3. **Submission of MPRs in additional formats as prescribed by MoTA:**
MoTA has prescribed 4 additional formats for submission of disaggregated data/ information along with MPRs on FRA, which were duly communicated to all districts vide this Department's letter no.9057/SSD dated 03.07.2020. Though 25 districts have submitted the same along with their MPRs for the month of November, 2020, but on verification, it is noted that most of the districts have not filled in data pertaining to CR (Format III) & CFR (Format V) correctly. To resolve out the issue, it was decided that in the second week of January, 2021, a special meeting shall be conducted keeping in view the data management with reference to MPR & additional format under Section 3(1)(a) so that there would not be any mismatch of data in different formats. Nodal Officers were informed that in case of any difficulty in filling up the Formats (both old and additional formats) they may contact Mr. Raj Kishore Das, OSD and the Consultants of the UNDP attached to the FRA Cell of the Department over phone or email (stscfra@gmail.com) and take sincere steps to sort out the discrepancy in data.
4. **Correction of RoR/Maps in respect of the titles vested with the claimants:**
Statement indicating district wise information is attached as **Annexure 3**, which reveals that out of 4,41,529 titles distributed, RoR corrections have been made in respect of 1,97,337 only, which is about 44.69% only. In this connection, a joint meeting with the R &DM Department was held on 26.11.2020 and as per the decisions taken in the said meeting, tahasil wise pendency has been sought by the R &DM Department. This has been conveyed to the Nodal Offices vide this Department's letter No.17042/SSD dt.01.12.2020. Till 21.12.2020, 11 districts namely Bhadrak, Cuttack, Jagatsinghpur, Kendrapada, Khordha, Nayagarh, Bargarh, Deogarh, Sundargarh, Ganjam and Kalahandi have not submitted the requisite information, so they were impressed upon to consider the matter on priority and ensure its submission at the earliest possible through e-mail.
5. **Status of Demarcation done in respect of Titles vested with the claimants.**
Statement indicating district wise status is attached as **Annexure-4**, which indicates that out of 4,41,529 IFR titles distributed, demarcations have been made in respect of 3,64,609 titles, which is about 83 %. Nodal Officers were requested to ensure 100% achievement by 31.01.2021.
6. **Status of coverage of FRA title holders under different schemes/ programs of the Govt.:** Till the end of November, 2020, though 4,41,529 lakh IFR titles have been distributed to the eligible claimants in Odisha, but the post claim support as envisaged under rule 16 of the amended FRA Rules, 2012 have been extended to only 2,50,817 title holders, which is about 57%. Director, ST requested the Nodal Officers to indicate the progress made through Mission JEEVIKA, wherein FRA beneficiaries have been covered, in a separate Col. in the prescribed format for reporting on FRA. She emphasized that "Mission

JEEVIKA” has long been taking care of the concerns of the forest right claimants and it should be our prime objective to ensure that all the claimants are covered within the scheme for their sustainable livelihood.

7. **Issue of FRA titles jointly in the name of both the spouses:** As per the reports received from 13 districts, it is noted that 1,14,211 numbers of FRA titles have been issued jointly in the name of both the spouses, as per the provision enumerated under Section 4 (4) of the Act. All Nodal Officers on FRA were impressed upon by the Director (ST) to adhere to the statutory provision of the law and ensure submission of the requisite information to the Department at an early date.
8. **Other important Issues discussed:** Director (ST) instructed all the Nodal Officers to ensure that FRA is included as an agenda item of the District Revenue Meeting held every month, so that many of the issues related to FRA can be resolved there itself without further delay. It was also informed that the Department is going to host a Webinar on FRA on 4th of January, 2021, wherein subject matter Experts & eminent personalities will participate and deliberate upon different important issues on FRA. Since this Webinar provides an opportunity and platform to the forest dwellers and right holders to share their experiences, the Nodal Officers were requested to identify best practices adopted in their districts & select few FRA beneficiaries who can participate in the Webinar. They were also instructed to remain present in the Webinar with their teams.

Further, it was decided that an orientation training programme for the nodal officers and their MPR staff would be conducted in January 2021 to redress the anomalies in the presentation of MPRs and other reports.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair as well as to the participants.


Director, ST
29/12/2020

Annexure-1**Statement indicating District-wise status of Rejected IFR claims pending for final disposal**

Sl. No.	Name of the District	DLC rejection reported in Affidavit filed	No. of Claims to be Reviewed & Disposed as per Affidavit filed	Rejection made at DLC level out of fig. indicated in Col.4	Claims approved at the DLC level out of fig. indicated in Col.4	Total claims disposed (Col.5+6)	Balance claims pending for disposal at the DLC level (Col.4-7)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Balasore	518	1292	7	0	7	1285
2	Bhadrak	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Cuttack	0	3233	757	0	757	2476
4	Jagatsinghpur	2	0	0	0	0	0
5	Jajpur	0	2971	0	0	0	2971
6	Kendrapara	0	2928	2545	0	2545	383
7	Khurda	0	1242	0	0	0	1242
8	Mayurbhanj	0	8636	0	0	0	8636
9	Nayagarh	106	0	0	0	0	0
10	Puri	0	1169	0	0	0	1169
11	Angul	676	4957	0	0	0	4957
12	Bargarh	2	1696	1630	26	1656	40
13	Bolangir	3294	1412	676	0	676	736
14	Deogarh	0	5810	0	0	0	5810
15	Dhenkanal	0	1497	839	658	1497	0
16	Jharsuguda	0	6604	0	0	0	6604
17	Keonjhar	0	15274	0	0	0	15274
18	Sambalpur	0	14908	2091	0	2091	12817
19	Subarnapur	624	542	0	0	0	542
20	Sundargarh	959	15838	0	0	0	15838
21	Boudh	120	1465	0	0	0	1465
22	Gajapati	0	16516	0	0	0	16516
23	Ganjam	6313	0	0	0	0	0
24	Kalahandi	658	0	0	0	0	0
25	Kandhamal	0	2428	9	0	9	2419
26	Koraput	0	2587	2587	0	2587	0
27	Malkangiri	579	2400	0	0	0	2400
28	Nawapara	0	12215	2372	0	2372	9843
29	Nawarangpur	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Rayagada	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	13851	127620	13513	684	14197	113423

Individual Forest Rights claims pending for approval as on November, 2020

Sl.	Name of the District	No. of claims received	No. of claims approved by DLC	No. of claims finally rejected at DLC	No. of claims Pending for approval
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Balasore	5414	3226	525	1663
2	Bhadrak	204	204	0	0
3	Cuttack	5923	1837	757	3329
4	Jagatsinghpur	49	47	2	0
5	Jajpur	10464	5995	0	4469
6	Kendrapara	4055	315	2545	1195
7	Khurda	3629	985	0	2644
8	Mayurbhanj	69023	52318	0	16705
9	Nayagarh	4302	3868	106	328
10	Puri	1169	0	0	1169
11	Angul	8360	2727	676	4957
12	Bargarh	3314	1097	1632	585
13	Bolangir	9035	3049	3970	2016
14	Deogarh	13919	7368	0	6551
15	Dhenkanal	12600	9666	839	2095
16	Jharsuguda	9204	2599	0	6605
17	Keonjhar	75082	59785	0	15297
18	Sambalpur	34199	14758	2091	17350
19	Subarnapur	1620	465	624	531
20	Sundargarh	40823	24000	959	15864
21	Boudh	3499	1914	120	1465
22	Gajapati	52461	35876	0	16585
23	Ganjam	12957	6341	6313	303
24	Kalahandi	11758	10934	658	166
25	Kandhamal	60346	57818	9	2519
26	Koraput	35595	29192	2587	3816
27	Malkangiri	39928	36406	579	2943
28	Nawapara	23257	7167	2372	13718
29	Nawarangpur	44359	44359	0	0
30	Rayagada	26704	26704	0	0
	Total	623252	451020	27364	144868

Status of Individual Forest Rights RoR Correction made as on November, 2020

Sl. No.	Name of the District	No. of titles Distributed	RoR correction done	Additional RoR correction to be made
1	2	3	4	5
1	Balasore	2604	1889	715
2	Bhadrak	204	204	0
3	Cuttack	1712	0	1712
4	Jagatsinghpur	47	46	1
5	Jajpur	5165	2853	2312
6	Kendrapara	315	264	51
7	Khurda	985	174	811
8	Mayurbhanj	51128	45303	5825
9	Nayagarh	3868	1512	2356
10	Puri	0	0	0
11	Angul	2727	2137	590
12	Bargarh	1097	540	557
13	Bolangir	3049	0	3049
14	Deogarh	7368	767	6601
15	Dhenkanal	9553	3986	5567
16	Jharsuguda	2599	1789	810
17	Keonjhar	59419	10895	48524
18	Sambalpur	13679	1536	12143
19	Subarnapur	465	197	268
20	Sundargarh	21458	13456	8002
21	Boudh	1914	1739	175
22	Gajapati	35607	9733	25874
23	Ganjam	6341	996	5345
24	Kalahandi	10743	4376	6367
25	Kandhamal	57818	51932	5886
26	Koraput	29172	7784	21388
27	Malkangiri	35657	16167	19490
28	Nawapara	7167	1218	5949
29	Nawarangpur	44359	12812	31547
30	Rayagada	25309	3032	22277
	TOTAL	441529	197337	244192

Status on Demarcation as on November, 2020

Sl. No.	Name of the District	No. of titles Distributed	No. of titles for which Demarcation is made	Additional demarcation to be made
1	2	3	4	5
1	Balasore	2604	2604	0
2	Bhadrak	204	204	0
3	Cuttack	1712	0	1712
4	Jagatsinghpur	47	46	1
5	Jajpur	5165	4238	927
6	Kendrapara	315	305	10
7	Khurda	985	985	0
8	Mayurbhanj	51128	48202	2926
9	Nayagarh	3868	1008	2860
10	Puri	0	0	0
11	Angul	2727	2137	590
12	Bargarh	1097	898	199
13	Bolangir	3049	3049	0
14	Deogarh	7368	5014	2354
15	Dhenkanal	9553	9553	0
16	Jharsuguda	2599	2599	0
17	Keonjhar	59419	31972	27447
18	Sambalpur	13679	12869	810
19	Subarnapur	465	259	206
20	Sundargarh	21458	15106	6352
21	Boudh	1914	1739	175
22	Gajapati	35607	34471	1136
23	Ganjam	6341	3808	2533
24	Kalahandi	10743	10614	129
25	Kandhamal	57818	53360	4458
26	Koraput	29172	20893	8279
27	Malkangiri	35657	33681	1976
28	Nawapara	7167	2288	4879
29	Nawarangpur	44359	39634	4725
30	Rayagada	25309	23073	2236
	TOTAL	441529	364609	76920