



DO.NO. 17011/01/2020 – SCA

Dated: 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

Dear Chief Secretary,

Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) is in the process of launching a scheme for integrated development of villages with significant tribal population by transforming the existing scheme of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme. The main deliverable of the scheme would be to develop such tribal villages as model villages (Adarsh Gram) in a phased manner by filling gaps in various sectors including education and health services, basic amenities, housing, income-generating opportunities, infrastructure etc. through appropriate convergence of resources available under various schemes of Central and State Governments particularly where Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) / Scheduled Tribe Component (STC) funds are earmarked. Details of Central Government Schemes where dedicated funds for tribal development have been earmarked may be referred to at <https://stcmis.gov.in>. Broad contours of the revised scheme are at **Annexure 1**.

2. Through the Antyodaya survey under the supervision of the Ministry of Rural Development, a total of 36,428 such villages have been identified which have at least 50% of tribal population and 500 ST members. The list of villages is given in **Annexure 2**. Monitorable indicators have been given in **Annexure 3**.

3. It is requested that instructions may please be given to the Nodal Department in charge of Tribal Welfare to take the following steps.

- i) Verification of the village database.
- ii) Preparing Village Development Plan on the basis of needs analysis and available resources from Centre/State Schemes and Grants available with Panchayats.
- iii) Identify the gaps which need to be filled through additional resources from this scheme.

3. I would be grateful if you could personally guide in this matter and have a meeting with the connected line Departments for developing broader consensus among them towards implementation of the Scheme in close coordination with District administration and other field level functionaries. Department in-charge of Tribal Development may please be directed to lead the process for ensuring completion of all preparatory exercises in a time bound manner so that funds can be allocated to your State at the earliest .

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
(Anil Kumar Jha)

To,

Chief Secretary (All States with notified STs)  
UT Administrator (All UTs with notified STs)

Copy to:

Principal Secretary / Secretary (In-charge of Tribal development), All States / UTs with notified STs