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ADI DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

POLICY NOTE 2016 – 2017

INTRODUCTION:

The total population of Tamil Nadu as per 2011 census is 7.21 crore, which includes Scheduled Caste 144.38 lakh (20.01 per cent) and Scheduled tribes 7.95 lakh (1.10 per cent). The Constitution of India which is the Fundamental document of our country, considers the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as socially, educationally and economically backward. It is the first and foremost duty of this department to uplift these people on par with other communities at all levels.

This department is concerned with overall policy formulation, planning and implementation of the welfare programmes highlighting the noble policies of the State Government for the accelerated growth in socio-economic, educational and human development to ensure sustained growth and social dignity. In its efforts

to sustain the growth this Government has allocated Rs.2971.19 crore for the year 2016-2017.

I. ADI DRAVIDAR WELFARE

1. Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP)

The Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP) has been implemented in Tamilnadu from 1980-81. The basic objective is to earmark a specific portion of the State Annual Plan Outlay in proportion to the population of the Scheduled Castes (20.01%) in the State in order to bring about a marked Socio-Economic and Educational development of the Scheduled Castes.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has been designated as the Nodal Department and the Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department as the Nodal Officer for the purpose of monitoring the formulation and implementation of Scheduled Castes Sub Plan at the State level. The Director of Adi Dravidar Welfare has been nominated as the Monitoring Officer to oversee and review the schemes under Scheduled Castes Sub Plan at district levels.

The Nodal Officer appointed by the sectoral departments are coordinating with the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department for the effective implementation of the schemes for Adi Dravidars. There are 18 sectoral departments comprising of 34 Heads of Departments which are implementing the schemes under SCSP for the development and welfare of the Scheduled Castes.

The State Government for the year 2016-17 has allocated Rs.12,462 crore under the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan out of the State's total Annual Plan Outlay of Rs.60,610 crore which is 20.56% of Annual Plan Outlay and it is more than the percentage (20.01%) of Scheduled Caste population of the State.

EDUCATION

The literacy rate of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Tamilnadu as per 2011 census is as follows:

(in percentage)

Category	Male	Female	Total
General population	86.77	73.44	80.09
Scheduled Castes	80.94	65.64	73.26
Scheduled Tribes	61.81	46.80	54.34

The number of schools functioning under the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department and students are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Classification of Schools	No. of Schools	No. of Students
1.	Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools	1,134	1,15,730
2.	Government Tribal Residential Schools (GTR)	306	30,933
TOTAL		1,440	1,46,663

For the financial year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.2971.19 crore has been provided in the B.E. of which Rs.2645.89 crore (89.05%) has been allocated for education and education related schemes.

2. Educational Scholarship Schemes

(a) Post-Matric Scholarship (From 11th Standard onwards)

Under the Post-Matric scholarship scheme, assistance is given to the Adi Dravidar and Tribal students who continue their studies from XI standard and whose parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2.50 lakh. An assistance of Rs.230/- to Rs.550/- per month is given as maintenance allowance for day scholars and Rs.380/- to Rs.1200/- per month as maintenance allowance for hostellers depending upon the class in which they study. Besides this, all the compulsory and non refundable fees payable by the students studying in Government and Government aided institutions are sanctioned as Scholarship.

Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students studying in self financing colleges are also eligible to get scholarship under this scheme. They are exempted from paying compulsory and non-refundable fees which are directly disbursed to the colleges by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department. Maintenance allowance depending upon the class they study is also paid to the students.

The students studying in Industrial Training Institutes are also sanctioned Post-Matric scholarship.

For the financial year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.1,334.55 crore has been allocated under the Government of India's Post Matric Scholarship for SCs and Rs.35.61crore for STs respectively

**(b) State Special Post – Matric Scholarship
(From 11th Standard onwards)**

The State Government is implementing the Post-Matric Special Scholarship Scheme for the students converted to Christianity who are not eligible for availing scholarship under the Government of India Post Matric Scholarship Scheme to pursue higher studies from 11th standard and whose parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh and the amount given is Rs.100/- to Rs.175/- per month towards the maintenance allowance for day scholars and Rs.175/- to Rs.350/- per month for the hostellers depending upon the course in which they study.

All compulsory & non refundable fees, payable by the students studying in Government and Government

aided institutions are also sanctioned as Scholarship along with maintenance allowance.

The students converted to Christianity who are eligible for Scholarship studying in Self Finance Institutions are exempted from paying compulsory and non-refundable fees which are directly disbursed to the colleges by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department. The Maintenance Allowance depending upon the class they study is credited to the Savings Bank accounts of the students.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.5432.96 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

(c) Pre-Matric Scholarship to the children of those engaged in cleaning and health hazard prone occupations.

The Scholarship and Adhoc grant are sanctioned to those children whose parents are engaged in unclean occupations as sanitary workers, Tanners, Flayers, Waste Pickers irrespective of their religion, caste and income.

(i) Scholarship

- First Standard to 10th Standard – Rs.110/- per month (Day Scholars)
- Third Standard to 10th Standard – Rs. 700/- per month (Hostellers)

(ii) Adhoc grant

- Rs.750/- per annum (Day Scholars)
- Rs.1000/- per annum (Hostellers)

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.945.01 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(d) Pre-Matric Scholarship for IX & X Students of SC and ST

The Government of India Pre-Matric Scholarship is sanctioned to the students of SC and ST studying in IX and X Standard in the recognized institutions whose parent or guardian's annual income is upto Rs.2 lakh. The students are sanctioned Scholarship as follows:-

Scholarship	Day Scholars	Hostellers
Maintenance Allowance	1500	3500
Adhoc grant	750	1000
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	2250	4500

For the year 2016-17 allocation is Rs.6300 lakh for SC and Rs.150 lakh for ST students respectively.

(e) Higher Educational Special Scholarship (HESS)

Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and converted to Christianity students who are staying in the hostels maintained by the educational institutions and pursuing Degree course or Polytechnic are sanctioned a grant of Rs.7,500/- per annum and for Post Graduate and Professional course Rs.8,000/- per annum under this scheme. For availing the scholarship the parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.2026.47 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(f) Overseas Scholarship

The students who aspire to pursue higher studies abroad in the field of Engineering, Technology and other Science disciplines are provided with this Scholarship. To avail this scholarship the parent or guardian's income limit does not exceed Rs.3 lakh per annum.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.30 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

(g) Financial assistance to Ph.D.Students

The SC and ST students who pursue full time Ph.D. in the recognized Universities and whose parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh, are sanctioned a financial assistance of Rs.50,000/- per year.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.350 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

3. Educational Fee Concessions

(a) Tuition Fee Concession

The students belonging to the Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity and studying in Government and Government aided institutions are exempted from paying the Tuition fees. There is no income limit to avail the concession.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.780.91 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

(b) Special Fee and Examination Fee concessions to the Under Graduate students.

The Students belonging to the Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity and pursuing Under Graduate courses in the Government and Government aided Arts and Science Colleges are exempted from the payment of Special Fees and Examination Fees. There is no income limit to avail the concession.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.40 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(c) Special Fees and Examination Fee Concessions to the Post Graduate Girl students.

The girl students who pursue Post Graduate courses in the Government and Government aided Arts and Science Colleges are exempted from the payment of Special Fees and Examination fees. There is no income limit to avail the concession.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.25 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(d) Special Fee Concession to the students from 6th to 10th Standard

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and Christianity and studying in the standard 6th to 10th are exempted from the payment of Special fees. The expenditure incurred by the educational institutions concerned are reimbursed by this Department.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.166.01 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(e) Exemptions from Public Examination Fees, Application Fees and Registration Fees.

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity studying in X and XII standards are exempted from the payment of public examination fees and for the students who study other than Tamil medium the fee is reimbursed to the Directorate of the Government Examinations by the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department. Further, the students pursuing Under Graduation, Post Graduation and Professional courses in the Government and Government aided Colleges are exempted from payment of Application Fees and Registration Fees.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.295.64 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

4. Special Incentive Scheme for Girl Students

Education helps to bring overall development to the Society. The Girls' incentive scheme is being implemented to ensure 100% enrollment of the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Girls in the elementary education level. The Adi Dravidar and Tribal girls studying in the

standards from III to V are given an incentive of Rs.500/- in a year. This scheme is extended to all the Districts from the year 2011-12 to benefit the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Girls.

A sum of Rs.1700 lakh has been allocated for the year 2016-17.

To reduce the dropouts and encourage the Adi Dravidar and Tribal girl students and help them continue their studies in VI standard, they are given Rs.1000/- per year. This scheme is being implemented in all the districts. From 2013-2014 academic year onwards the Girl students studying in VII and VIII Standard are given an incentive of Rs.1500/- per year.

A sum of Rs.3811 lakh has been allocated in the year 2016-17 for the implementation of the above scheme for the standards from VI to VIII.

5. Awards

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity, studying Tamil as one of the subjects and securing highest marks in 10th and 12th standard Public Examinations are awarded prize money.

(i) State Level Awards

The Students who secure the highest marks in Standard X and XII Public Examinations at the State Level are given cash awards as detailed below :-

Sl. No	Class	Details	Position	Rs.
1.	X Std.	One Girl and One Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the 1 st three positions (2X3X3 = 18 students)	First Second Third	25,000 20,000 15,000
2.	X Std. (5 Subjects)	One Girl or One Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the 1 st mark (1X5X3 = 15 students)	Subject First	1000
3.	XII Std.	One Girl and one Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the 1 st three positions (2X3X3 = 18 students)	First Second Third	50,000 30,000 20,000

Sl. No	Class	Details	Position	Rs.
4.	XII Std. (25 Subjects)	One Girl or one Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the 1 st mark (1X25X3 = 75 students)	Subject First	2,000

Every year, 126 students are benefitted under this scheme.

(ii) District Toppers Award

The Students who secure the highest marks in standard X and XII Public Examinations at the District Level are given cash awards.

From the financial year 2014-15 the District toppers award amount are given as stated below :-

Std	Details	Amount per student in Rs.	No.of beneficiaries	Total amount (Rs. in lakh)
X	<u>First Prize</u> One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community	3000	64	1.92
	<u>Second Prize</u> One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community.	2000	64	1.28
	<u>Third Prize</u> One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community	1000	64	0.64
	Total		192	3.84

St d	Details	Amount per student in Rs.	No.of benefi ciarie s	Total amoun t (Rs. in lakh)
XII	<p><u>First Prize</u></p> <p>One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community</p>	6000	64	3.84
	<p><u>Second Prize</u></p> <p>One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community</p>	4000	64	2.56
	<p><u>Third Prize</u></p> <p>One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity Community.</p>	2000	64	1.28
	Total		192	7.68

(iii) State Level prizes to the Students of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare and Government Tribal Residential Schools

The enhanced Cash awards are given from the academic year 2014-15 to the students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity and studying in ADW and GTR Schools and securing the 1st three levels (one boy and one girl at each level) in the X and XII Public Examinations at the State level as follows :

Level	Prize Money Awards	
	X Std	XII Std
I Prize	Rs.25,000	Rs.50,000
II Prize	Rs.20,000	Rs.30,000
III Prize	Rs.15,000	Rs.20,000

For the year 2016-2017 a sum of Rs.36.72 lakh has been allocated under this Scheme.

6. Awards for Higher Studies

Various prize money schemes are implemented to encourage the students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity and securing the highest marks in the Public Examinations to enable them to pursue their higher studies.

(i) Chief Minister's Merit Award

1000 boys and 1000 girls belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity communities who have obtained the highest marks in XII standard Public Examination continued their higher studies are given a cash award of Rs.3000/- per annum for a period of 5 years.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.100 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(ii) Annal Gandhi Memorial Award

Under this scheme, cash award is given in memory of Mahatma Gandhiji to the Adi Dravidar Students (One Boy and one Girl) who secure the first rank in each district in XII standard Public Examination.

This award amount of Rs.2,000/- for the first year and Rs.1,500/- for the subsequent five years are given.

Every year 64 new students are benefitted under this scheme.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.8 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(iii) Merit-cum-Means Award

The Merit-cum-Means Award is given to one boy and one girl student belonging to the Tribal and converted to Christianity community who secure the first rank in XII standard Public Examination in each District. The award amount of Rs.2000/- per annum for the first year and Rs.1,500/- per annum for the subsequent five years are given.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.4 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(iv) Prize Money Award

The prize money is given to the students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who have passed with 60% and above marks

in Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate and Professional Course examinations.

The Prize money award of Rs.3000/- for the Under Graduate, Rs.5000/- for the Post Graduate and Rs.6000/- for Professional Courses are given.

In the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.42 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(v) Award to Bright Students

Under this scheme, two boys and two girls in each category of Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the highest marks in X standard examination in each district are awarded a sum of Rs.1600/- each for the first year and Rs.2000/- per annum for the subsequent five years.

For the financial year 2016-17, Rs.20 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

7. Supply of Free Text Books and Note Books

Free text books and note books are distributed to the students studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools,

Government Tribal Residential Schools and Government Schools as detailed below:-

Text Books	All students studying from 1 st to 12 th standard.
Note Books	All students studying from 1 st to 10 th standard.

From the year 2012-2013 free Text books and Note books are distributed through the Department of School Education.

For the year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.500 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

8. Distribution of Free Uniforms

Four sets of free uniforms are distributed to the students (including Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare School) from 1st to 8th Standard who are benefitted under the Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Noon Meal scheme through the Department of Social Welfare. For the students studying in 9th to 12th Standard in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools and Hostels and 9th to 12th Standard students staying in Adi Dravidar and Tribal

Welfare hostels but studying in schools run by other departments uniforms are distributed through the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department.

For the financial year 2016-17, Rs.2000 lakh has been allocated under this scheme

9. Distribution of free Magazines to Schools and Hostels

To help Adi Dravidar and Tribal candidates to appear for UPSC and other Competitive Examinations, books and magazines on General Knowledge are supplied to all the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare High Schools and Higher Secondary Schools and Hostels.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.10.80 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

10. Distribution of Free Bicycle Scheme

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who are studying in 11th Standard in the Government, Government Aided Higher Secondary Schools and Partly Aided Schools are provided with free bicycles.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.3547.55 lakh for Girls and Rs.2938.78 lakh for boys has been allocated under this scheme.

11. Admission in Reputed Schools of Boys and Girls who score the highest marks in X Standard.

With a view to helping the Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to appear for the All India Level Competitive Examinations and improving their skills, 10 outstanding students including 3 girl students from each district, totalling 320 students who secure the highest marks in X standard in the Government, Government Aided, Corporation, Municipal, Adi Dravidar Welfare and Government Tribal Residential Schools are selected and admitted in the XI standard in Private Schools of repute. A sum of Rs.28,000/- per year per student is being spent by the Government. To benefit under this scheme, the income of parent or guardian does not exceed Rs.1 lakh per annum.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.1359.02 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

12. Admission of Students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and Converted to Christianity in VI Standard in Reputed Residential Schools.

The bright students selected from Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity communities studying in 5th Standard in the Government, Corporation, Municipal, Government Aided, Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools and Government Tribal Residential Schools are admitted in the Reputed Residential Schools in 6th standard and the entire expenditure of these students is borne by the Government till 12th Standard. Under this scheme, one girl or one boy who secures the highest mark in the special examination conducted in each Block is admitted in Reputed Residential Schools.

13. Hostels

Hostel facilities are provided to the students who are studying in Schools, Colleges and I.T.I.s to encourage the rural Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to continue their education without any dropout.

The number of the Hostels functioning under the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department and the strength of the students admitted are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Classification of Hostels	No. of Hostels	No. of Students
1	Adi Dravidar welfare Hostels	1,314	98,039
2	Tribal Hostels	42	2,782
3	GTR Schools	306	30,933
	TOTAL	1,662	1,31,754

The facilities provided to the students staying in the Hostels:-

- i) Two Tier cots are provided to College Hostels.
- ii) Incinerators (Napkin Burners) are provided to Girls Hostels.
- iii) Water purifiers, wet grinders, electronic weighing machines and colour televisions are provided to all the Hostels.

- iv) Washing Machines are provided to Adi Dravidar Welfare girls' Hostels.
- v) Steam Boilers for cooking food hygienically are provided to Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels and GTR Schools.
- vi) Library facilities are made available in all the Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels.
- vii) Mats and Bed Sheets are distributed once in two years to the Hostellers.
- viii) Rs.50/- per student per month for School and ITI Hostels and Rs.75/- per student per month for College and Polytechnic College Hostels is given for purchase of Soap and Oil, etc., as Miscellaneous Charges. Money is credited into the Students Bank A/c.
- ix) Food charges of Rs.755/-per month for school students and Rs.875/- per month for College Students are provided to those who are staying in the ADW and TW Hostels and in GTR Schools.

- x) Pillow with covers are provided to all ADW and TW hostels and GTR School Students.
- xi) Rain coats and Woolen Sweaters are provided for students staying in the Tribal Welfare hostels and GTR Schools situated in hilly areas.
- xii) First aid boxes are provided for Adi Dravidar and Tribal hostels and GTR Schools
- xiii) Solar Study Lights are provided to GTR High School and Higher Secondary School Students

14. Hostels and Schools run by Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)

(i) Hostels

The Government is providing food charges to the 36 Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) which benefits 4977 Adi Dravidar students and 777 Tribal students.

(ii) Schools

The Government is extending financial assistance to Schools run by the Society for Rural Development (SFRD) at Tiruvannamalai District for Tribal students and

another School by the Muthukaruppan Memorial Trust at Thoothukudi district for Adi Dravidar students.

15. Free House Site Pattas to Adi Dravidar and Tribal Families

Under this scheme, free house site pattas are distributed to the Adi Dravidar and Tribal families without house sites. The land for this purpose is acquired through private negotiation or under the Tamilnadu Acquisition of Land for Harijan Welfare Scheme Act 1978 (Tamilnadu Act 31/1978) to distribute free house site pattas to the eligible persons. The annual income of the beneficiary under this scheme should not exceed Rs.40,000/- in rural areas and Rs.60,000/- in urban areas.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.512.93 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

16. Burial Grounds and Pathways

The Government is allocating funds for providing burial grounds and pathways to burial grounds for Adi Dravidar habitations. Funds are provided for acquiring and purchasing land for this purpose. Local bodies are also providing the required basic amenities to

the Adi Dravidar habitations from their own funds. For this purpose, 15% of the cost for drinking water facility and 10% of cost for link roads are borne by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department.

For the financial year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.75.84 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

17. Financial Assistance for Funeral Rites

Financial assistance of Rs.2,500/- is given to the Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity families to meet the expenditure towards funeral rites at the time of death of a member of the family.

For the financial year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.500 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

18. Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)

The Government of India is providing 100% grant under this scheme as an additional amount to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan to the State to fill the critical gaps and vital missing inputs for family and income generating schemes with supporting infrastructure development to make the schemes effective. The primary objective of this

scheme is to provide additional support to Adi Dravidar families to enhance their productivity and income. Under this scheme, 80% of the funds are utilised for Economic Development activities.

10% of funds is meant for imparting Skill Development Training to unemployed Adi Dravidar Youth.

Remaining 10% of the amount is released to the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department for providing infrastructure facilities to Adi Dravidar habitations where 50% or more Adi Dravidars are living.

During the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.120.25 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

19. Community Certificates

- i. The Tahsildar is empowered to issue community certificates to the Scheduled Castes and the Revenue Divisional Officer or Sub-Collector or Personal Assistant (General) to the Collector, Chennai (in Chennai District) is authorized to issue community certificates to Scheduled Tribes. The appellate authorities for appeals for disposing of

issuance of community certificates are Revenue Divisional Officer for Scheduled Castes and District Collector for Scheduled Tribes. Final appeal lies with State Level Scrutiny Committee for deciding the issuance of Scheduled Tribe community certificate.

- ii. District Level Vigilance Committees have been constituted to verify the genuineness of the Scheduled Caste community certificates and State Level Scrutiny Committee has been constituted to verify the Scheduled Tribe community certificates as detailed below :-

District Level Vigilance Committee (DLVC)

1	District Collector	Chairman	To scrutinize the genuineness of the Scheduled Caste Community Certificates and pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie with the Hon'ble High Court of Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India.
2	District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officer	Member – Secretary	
3	An Anthropologist	Member	

State Level Scrutiny Committee (SLSC)

1	Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department	Chairman	To scrutinize the genuineness of the Scheduled Tribe Community Certificates and pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie with the Hon'ble High Court of Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India.
2	Director, Tribal Welfare	Member – Secretary	
3	An Anthropologist	Member	

Vigilance Cells

Vigilance Cells are functioning in four regions to inquire into the community status of the persons belonging to Scheduled Tribes and submit its report to the State Level Scrutiny Committee as below:-

- i. **Chennai Region:** Functioning with Chennai as Headquarters covering Chennai, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Vellore, Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram and Cuddalore districts.

- ii. **Salem Region:** Functioning with Salem as Headquarters covering Salem, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Namakkal, Erode, Coimbatore and Tiruppur districts.
- iii. **Tiruchirappalli Region:** Functioning with Tiruchirappalli as Headquarters covering Tiruchirappalli, Karur, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Thanjavur, Nagapattinam, Tiruvarur, Dindigul and The Nilgiris districts.
- iv. **Madurai Region:** Functioning with Madurai as Headquarters covering Madurai, Theni, Sivagangai, Virudhunagar, Pudukottai, Ramanathapuram, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli and Kanniyakumari districts.

Each vigilance cell consists of the following Police Officials.

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Number of Posts
1.	Senior Deputy Superintendent of Police	1
2.	Inspector of Police or Sub Inspector of Police	1

3.	Police Constable	1
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The State Level Scrutiny Committee shall refer the cases to the respective Vigilance Cell for verification of the community status of the persons.

20. Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2015.

a) Removal of Untouchability

All steps are being taken to abolish untouchability and prevent atrocities against Adi Dravidar and Tribal people due to the initiation of the Government. For this purpose, the Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955, the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2015 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Rules 2016 have been enacted by the Government of India and are being implemented effectively in our State.

The SCs/STs (PoA) Act 1989 has been amended by the Government of India after getting concurrence from the State Governments as SCs/STs (PoA)

(Amendment) Act 2015. This Act was notified in the Gazette of India Extraordinary and came into force on 01.01.2016.

The Social Justice and Human Rights wing with its headquarters at Chennai is functioning for this purpose, under the control of the Additional Director General of Police.

The functions of Social Justice & Human Rights wings are (i) to supervise registration, investigation and filing of cases under these two Acts and (ii) to act as a Protection Cell for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

Special Courts:

Special Courts have been created for speedy disposal of cases registered under SCs/STs (PoA) Act and PCR Act.

The Government has established 6 Special Courts which are functioning in Thanjavur, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Villupuram and Sivagangai Districts to try cases registered under these Acts. In all other districts, the existing Sessions Courts have been

empowered to try these cases. Besides, 38 Mobile Police Squads, each headed by a Deputy Superintendent of Police under the control of District Superintendent of Police or Assistant Commissioner of Police under the control of City Commissioner of Police in all Districts and Commissionerates with supporting staff are functioning.

Under Rule 17(1), SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Rules 1995, the State Government has constituted District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee in each district headed by the District Collector concerned with five officials / non-officials as members. The District Collectors are also empowered to nominate a person as a member who has the right aptitude and understanding of the problems of SC/ST. The District Level Committee shall meet atleast once in three months to review the implementation of the provisions of these Acts and also to monitor the relief and rehabilitation facilities provided to the victims and review the stage of the cases registered under these Acts at the district level. Further, a State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee is also functioning under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister to review and monitor the implementation of these Acts.

Apart from the two committees, Sub Division Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee has been constituted in each Revenue Sub-Division of the Districts by the Government of Tamilnadu vide G.O. (Ms.) No.6, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Dated 20.01.2015 as per the Gazette notification Dated 08.11.2013 and as per the amendment made to the Rule 17 of the SCs and STs (PoA) Act 1989. This committee is headed by the Sub Divisional Magistrate with 5 officials and 4 non-officials as members. The Sub-Division Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee shall meet atleast once in 3 months to review the implementation of the provisions of the Act and various reports received by the Sub-Divisional Administration.

For the year 2016-17, Rs.1187 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

b) Campaign for the removal of Untouchability

The public are made aware of the evils of untouchability. To create awareness among the public, short films are screened in the villages.

“Manitha Neya Vara Vizha” is celebrated in all the districts from 26th to 30th January every year for creating awareness among the people against untouchability. A sum of Rs.50,000 at district level and a sum of Rs.1,00,000 at state level are being provided under this scheme every year.

Publicity is made through Villupattu Artists on the evils of untouchability.

Besides, Community feasts are also arranged every year on 26th January, 15th August, 2nd October and on any other important local holiday in the districts. Voluntary organisations are involved in arranging the Samabandhi Virundhu.

Further, two publicity wings, one at Tiruchirappalli and another at Chennai are functioning to campaign for the removal of untouchability.

For the financial year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.79.03 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

(c) Select Village Scheme

Under the Select Village Scheme, one village in each district (except Chennai) is selected for giving financial assistance where untouchability is not practiced in any form and the people live in harmony. A sum of Rs.10 lakh is sanctioned to the selected village for implementing infrastructure facilities.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.310 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

21. Tamilnadu Adi Dravidar Art and Literature Society

To support avenues for creativity of expressions in the field of Art, Culture and Literature and support research activities of Adi Dravidar and Tribal scholars, a Corpus Fund of Rs.50 lakh has been sanctioned and kept in fixed deposit. Interest accrued is utilised for the purpose of giving awards to 10 Writers belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal, converted to Christianity and one other community Writer. Totally 11 Writers are awarded every year for the best literary work and an amount of Rs.40,000 is given by the Government for publishing their work.

22. Abolition of Bonded Labour

The practice of bonded labour is banned under Articles 21 and 23 of the Constitution of India and therefore, the Government of India has enacted the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976.

Bonded Labour System means the system of forced or partly forced labour either without wages or for nominal wages. Under this system, the labourers are denied their right to freedom of movement from one employer to another or other means of livelihood and thus they are deprived of their right to move freely throughout the territory of India.

In order to stop the practice of the bonded labour, the Government has constituted District Level Committees headed by the District Collectors to identify, release and rehabilitate the freed labourers and at State Level constituted a monitoring committee headed by the Chief Secretary.

The Revised Bonded Labour Rehabilitation Scheme is a Central Sector Scheme which come into

effect from 17th May, 2016. The relief amounts are given as follows :-

- i) Rs.1 lakh for adult male bonded labour.
- ii) Rs.2 lakh for children, begger and women who are identified as bonded labour.
- iii) Rs.3 lakh for children, women, transgender who are rescued from ostensible sexual exploitation and differently abled persons.

As stated above for the identified bonded labourers the relief assistance will be provided by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India and for their rehabilitation, welfare scheme will also be provided through the concerned District Collectors.

II. TRIBAL WELFARE

Introduction

A separate Tribal Directorate was created on 01.04.2000 to look after the welfare of Tribal people. The population of Tribes is more than 10,000 in 18 Districts viz., Salem, Thiruvannamalai, Villupuram, Vellore, Dharmapuri, Namakkal, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, The Nilgiris, Coimbatore, Krishnagiri, Erode, Tiruchirappalli, Cuddalore, Madurai, Ariyalur, Tirunelveli and Chennai.

Poor living conditions, lack of basic amenities in hilly terrains, nutritional deficiencies, high drop-out rate in Schools, low Literacy rate and migration due to degradation of forest resources are the characteristics of the Tribal population focused by the Government.

1. Integrated Tribal Development Programme (ITDP) Areas:

Integrated Tribal Development Programme (ITDP) is implemented in 10 I.T.D.P. areas covering 7 Districts i.e., Salem (Yercaud, Pachamalai, Aranuthumalai and Kalrayan Hills), Namakkal, (Kolli Hills), Villupuram Kalrayan Hills), Tiruvannamalai (Jawadhu Hills),

Tiruchirapalli (Pachamalai), Dharmapuri (Sittheri Hills) and Vellore (Jawadhu and Yelagiri hills) where the Tribal population is 50% or more of the total population.

2. Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs):

Based on the population, the Tribal people are divided into two groups. Tribal people who are concentrated in a particular area and the Dispersed Tribes who are scattered through out the State.

Out of the 36 Tribal communities in Tamilnadu, 6 Tribal Communities i.e. Toda, Kota, Kurumba, Irular, Paniyan and Kattunayakan population has neither decreased nor increased and it remains static. Hence, they are known as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).

3. Grants-in-aid

The Government of India is allocating funds for the following :-

- (i) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan

(ii) Article-275(1) of the Constitution of India and

(iii) Scheme for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups.

(i) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP)

Funds are utilized mainly for income generating programmes such as providing Milch animals. Financial assistance is also given to start any viable income generating activities for which 60% of the funds are utilized. Capital assets such as infrastructure for petty shops, processing units and solar electrification in the Tribal areas are created with the 30% of the fund. In order to enhance the employability of Tribal people, the remaining 10% of the funds have been utilized.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.651 lakh has been tentatively allocated under this scheme.

(ii) Article 275 (1) of Constitution of India

Provision of Foot Over Bridges, Link Roads, Electrification, Check Dams, etc., are the infrastructure facilities created in Tribal areas from the Grant-in-aid released by the Government of India under Article 275(1) of Constitution of India. Two Eklavya Model Residential

School (EMRS) one at Abinavam (Salem District) and the other at Vellimalai (Villupuram District) are managed with these funds. This fund is also being utilized for the implementation of the Forest Dwellers Act, 2006.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.880 lakh has been tentatively allocated under this scheme.

(iii) Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)

The Government of India sanctions grants-in-aid every year for the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. The Government of India releasing a sum of Rs.20 crore since 2013-2014 under this scheme.

Construction of traditional houses, distribution of milch animals, provision of drinking water facilities, street lights, etc., are the assets created for the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups under this scheme.

For the year 2016-17, a sum of Rs.2000 lakh has been tentatively allocated under this scheme.

(iv) Implementation of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

“The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 was enacted by Government of India, which came into existence on 29.12.2006. Tribals who have been residing in the forests prior to 13.12.2005 and the non tribals who have been residing in the forests for 3 generations i.e. for 75 years as on 13.12.2005 will be given Title Rights.

Implementation of this Act is monitored by the following Committees:

- i) State Level Monitoring Committee headed by the Chief Secretary.
- ii) District Level Committee headed by the District Collector.
- iii) Sub-Divisional Level Committee – headed by the Revenue Divisional Officer.

The process of distribution of title could not be initiated in Tamil Nadu State because of a stay granted by the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in

W.P.No.4533/2008 filed by Thiru. V. Sambasivam, I.F.S., (Retd.). The Director, Tribal Welfare filed a writ petition in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to vacate the stay.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on 02.02.2016 vacated the stay ordered in W.P.No.4533/2008. Necessary ground work has been carried out for the distribution of title deeds to the claimants and according to Geo-referencing, individual rights have been taken up and the distribution of title is under process.

List of Districts ready for distribution of rights after completion of Geo-referencing

Sl. No	District	No of Individual Rights	In acre
1	Villupuram	206	415.84
2	Kanniyakumari	150	427.89
3	Theni	37	33.42
4	Virudhunagar	23	8.62

5	Erode Division	265	251.18
6	Coimbatore	88	224.86
7	Dharmapuri	273	395.51
8	Thirunelveli	93	223.46
9	Thiruvannamalai	36	123.37
10	Namakkal	159	201.24
	Total	1330	2305.39

4. Tribal Sub-plan (TSP)

The “Tribal Sub-Plan“ is implemented from the year 1976-77 onwards which paved the way for flow of funds from the State Annual Plan Outlay to TSP for the socio-economic and educational development of the Scheduled Tribes in proportion to their population (1.10%) in the State.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department is the Nodal Department and the Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare

Department is the Nodal Officer for the formulation and implementation of TSP at State Level. At the district level, the monitoring and review of the performance of the TSP is entrusted to the Director of Tribal Welfare in the capacity as the Monitoring Officer.

The TSP includes various schemes of 18 Sectoral Departments comprising 35 Heads of Departments which implement them for the Welfare and Development of the Tribal population. The Department ensures the effective implementation of the schemes included under TSP, closely coordinating with the nodal officers nominated for this purpose exclusively by each department.

The State Government for the year 2016-17 has allocated a sum of Rs.722.35 Crore (1.19%) under the TSP out of the State's Total Annual Plan Outlay (APO) of Rs.60,610 Crore and it is over and above the percentage of ST population in Tamilnadu.

5. Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme

The Government has allocated a sum of Rs.50 Crore for the Comprehensive Tribal Development

Programme for the year 2016-17. Through this programme Land development activities, improvement of Katcha houses, road work, improvement of GTR schools, provision of drinking water facilities, economic development schemes and training skills are implemented through TAHDCO for Tribal Development.

6. Tribal Research Centre and Tribal Museum

An exclusive Tribal Research Centre was established in the year 1983 with the assistance of Government of India at Muthorai Palada, Udthagamandalam in the Nilgiris District, for data collection about the Tribes and to conduct necessary research about their life style, culture, language and socio economic and educational status. A Director, who is specialized in Anthropology is heading the TRC. A Library and a Tribal Museum have been setup in which the tribal artifacts and photographs on the life style of the tribes are displayed. A sales emporium has also been built to facilitate the sale of Tribal handicrafts.

7. Vocational Guidance Centre

For giving guidance to the tribal youth and to choose their career and profession a Special Vocational Guidance Centre is functioning at Udhagamandalam in the Nilgiris District

8. Industrial Training Institutes

Industrial Training Institutes exclusively for the Scheduled Tribes are functioning at Karumanthurai in Salem District, Kolli Hills in Namakkal District, Jamunamarathur in Tiruvannamalai District, Anaikatti in Coimbatore District, Gudalur in the Nilgiris District and at Sankarapuram in Villupuram District.

III. TAMILNADU ADI DRAVIDAR HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

INTRODUCTION

Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO) was started in 1974 under the Companies Act, 1956 initially as a construction company for the construction of fire proof houses to the people of Scheduled Caste. Since 1980-81, the Corporation has also been involved in socio economic development activities for the benefit of Adi Dravidar people.

1. SHARE CAPITAL

At the time of commencing this Corporation in 1974, the share capital of the Corporation was Rs.1 Crore and at present the Authorized Share Capital and Paid Up Share Capital of the Corporation are Rs.150 Crore and Rs.134.90 Crore respectively. Since 1980, the paid up Share Capital of the Corporation has been contributed by the Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of India in the ratio of 51:49. The company

was given a new lease of life by the Government of Tamil Nadu in releasing a sum of Rs.39.78 crore as the share of the State Government for the period between 2003-04 and 2014-15.

2. OBJECTIVES

1. Construction Activities.
2. Economic Development Schemes
3. Training—both Skill Development, upgradation and top class education.

3. SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADI DRAVIDARS THROUGH TAHDCO:

TAHDCO aims at improving the living standard of Adi Dravidar and Tribal population who are at the last rung of the social ladder, through the formulation and implementation of the need based programmes. But there is a gap inspite of the continued efforts of the Government between the socio-economic development and the social status of the Adi Dravidar people.

To bridge this gap, various socio-economic development schemes are being implemented. The commitment to bridge the gap of socio-economic status and accessibility of resources by the Adi Dravidar people is ensured by increasing the quantum of subsidy for the first time from Rs.25,000 to Rs.2.25 Lakh from the year 2011-12 which definitely makes a visible change in their life. For the financial year 2016-17 action plan has been prepared for the subsidy of Rs.135.34 crore.

3(i) LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

This scheme is implemented for the benefit of all the land owners of Adi Dravidar Community. The aim of the scheme is to create water resources and irrigation facilities and thereby enhance the land utilisation and income from lands.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.300 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 200 persons.

3 (ii) (a) ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (EDP):

Entrepreneur Development programme is a poverty reduction programme designed to assist the Adi Dravidar people in the age group between 18 and 55 years irrespective of their educational qualification. This scheme can be accessed both by individuals and groups.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.61.92 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 4750 persons.

(b) SPECIAL SCHEME UNDER EDP – Assistance for Petrol, Diesel, Gas retail outlets, etc.

Assistance is given for establishing Petrol, Diesel, Gas retail outlets, etc., under EDP Special Scheme. To enable the Adi Dravidars to access the A and B categories of Petrol, Diesel, Gas outlets, etc., loan assistance is given for purchase of land and deposit for bank guarantee. On selection for dealership, the selected person can access for working capital. To explain further,

the scheme could be accessed either before selection or on selection.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.30 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 13 persons.

3 (iii) (a) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH (SEPY)

SEPY caters to the educated, un-employed youth in the age group between 18 and 35, who desire to establish their own profession or business enterprises.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.34.56 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 3000 persons.

(b) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH – SEPY- SPECIAL - FOR MEDICAL AND PARAMEDICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Special SEPY caters to the Medical and Paramedical professionals viz., Doctors, Dentists, Siddha Doctors (BSMS), Ayurvedic Doctors (BAMS) and Practitioners of Naturopathy and Yoga (BNYS) who wish to establish their own Clinic, Lab, Stores, etc. This scheme has been extended to paramedical professionals

viz., physiotherapists, pharmacists, opticians and lab technicians who have registered their names with the appropriate authority.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.75 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 50 persons.

3 (iv) (a) REVOLVING FUND ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS (SHGs):

Promotion of micro-enterprises as a measure of poverty alleviation is primarily being focused through Revolving Fund assistance for exclusive Adi Dravidars. Revolving Fund Assistance is provided for Women Self Help Groups, Men Self Help Groups, both Women and Men Self Help Groups, Transgender Self Help Groups and Self Help Groups of the Disabled. A sum of Rs.25,000/- has been given as one time grant. The bank will in turn give Rs.50,000/- which will augment the corpus fund of SHGs.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.75 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 300 groups (4500 persons).

(b) ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS

Financial Assistance for income generating schemes is yet another measure for Economic empowerment of Adi Dravidars as groups. Under this scheme, adequate and timely credit at a reasonable interest rate is provided to SHGs for income generating activities. Adi Dravidar women Self Help Groups, Men Self Help Groups, both Women and Men Self Help Groups, Transgender Self Help Groups and Self Help Groups of the Disabled can avail the loan for the income generating economic activities. A maximum of 50% of the project cost or Rs.2.50 lakh whichever is lower is sanctioned as subsidy to the Self Help Groups.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.613 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 350 groups (5250 persons).

4. GRANTS

TAHDCO not only assists for Income Generating Programmes and Economic Development by providing loan and subsidy but also supports the youth in pursuit of

higher aspiration and the uncovered under other schemes through 100% grant.

4(I) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (UPSC)

To support the Civil Services aspirants belonging to Adi Dravidar communities financial assistance of Rs.50,000 has been given to those who have passed Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination to help them prepare for Civil Services (Main) Examination.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.50 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 100 persons.

4 (ii) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (TNPSC GROUP-I)

TNPSC Group-I is the top most civil services of the State. Recognising the need for assistance to those who are in pursuit of Group-I Services (Main Examination), financial assistance of Rs. 50,000 is given.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.25 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 50 persons.

4 (iii) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW GRADUATES

Financial Assistance of Rs.50,000/- is sanctioned to the successful law graduates, from Tamil Nadu law University, Deemed Universities and the law colleges recognized by the university on regular curriculum for setting up their practice. The eligibility criteria are the applicant should be above 25 and not above 45 years, regular legal practitioners, registered in the state or All India Bar Council.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.250 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 500 persons.

4 (iv) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS, COST ACCOUNTANTS AND OTHERS TO SET UP THEIR OFFICES

To encourage the young Chartered Accountants, Cost Accountants and others to set up their own offices, a grant of Rs.50,000 is given,

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.5 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 10 persons.

4 (v) MANAGING DIRECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Under the scheme financial assistance is given for medical treatment, gap filling assistance to those who pursue primary education to professional courses and persons affected in caste clashes and any other activities which deserve a helping hand subject to rules in vogue.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.60 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 200 persons.

4 (vi) COLLECTORS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

Under the scheme an assistance upto Rs.20,000/- is granted. Preference is given to differently abled, destitute widows, indigent artists, unmarried women above 40 years of age and children with no parent or guardian and any other person who is considered eligible for grant by the District Collector.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.56 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 280 persons.

4 (vii) TAHDCO CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Under the scheme assistance is granted to destitute widows, differently abled, children with no parent or guardian, transgender, indigent artists, persons affected by non curable diseases, fire accident and communal clashes.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.80 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 200 persons.

4 (viii) Assistance to SC women members of Women Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies.

In accordance with the Hon'ble Chief Minister's announcement, women members of the Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies under the control of Directorate of Social Welfare, beneficiaries are given assistance for the purchase of modern sewing machine. Each beneficiary is given 30% of the cost of the sewing

machine as subsidy from Special Central Assistance (SCA) and the balance 70% is given as soft loan at 4% interest from TAHDCO share capital.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.217 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 5194 persons.

4(ix) SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

To create employment opportunities and to strengthen the skill required for trades among the youth belonging to Adi Dravidar suitable skill development training programmes are organized through well known and recognized institutes. These training programmes equip the youth for wage employment, self employment, etc. The training programmes are conducted with 10% allocation under SCA Fund and from funds given by Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation.

For the financial year 2016-17 a sum of Rs.13.50 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 6000 persons.

Some of the important Training Programmes given by TAHDCO.

- AC Mechanic
- Apparel manufacturing Training
- Beautician
- BPO and Call centre
- CAD and CAM
- CAT and XAT
- Diesel Mechanic
- Electrician
- Fitter
- Food Production, Food and Beverages
- Footwear and Leather Product Manufacturing
- Hardware and Networking

- JCB, Poclain, Fork Lift Operation
- Motor Mechanic
- Plastic Product Manufacturing
- Retail Management
- Software testing
- Stenography
- Tally
- Tailoring, etc.

5. CONSTRUCTION WING

The construction wing of TAHDCO undertakes the Construction of hostel buildings, school class rooms, lab buildings, toilet blocks, community halls and basic infrastructure in Adi Dravidar and Tribal habitations.

6. STATE GOVERNMENT WORK

Construction of Eklavya Model Residential School, ITI Building, Class rooms, Labs and Hostels, Working Women Hostel, Compound Wall, Community

Hall, Toilet Block Construction and repair work, roads, sewage work, maintenance and renovation of Hostels and school buildings are to be undertaken.

7. NABARD SCHEME WORK

a) Construction of 60 Class rooms in 16 Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools (RIDF-XXI)

During 2016 – 17 a sum of Rs. 568.97 Lakh has been sanctioned for the above schemes.

(b) Construction of 105 class rooms, 99 Toilet Blocks and 92 Water supply work in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools (RIDF-XXI).

During 2016 – 17 a sum of Rs. 1931.33 lakh has been sanctioned for the above schemes.

IV. Financial allocation to Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department during 2016-17.

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Revenue	Capital	Loan	Total
1	Secretariat	6.58	0.00	0.14	6.72
2	Adi Dravidar Welfare	2474.61	221.21	0	2695.82
3	Tribal Welfare	228.74	39.91	0	268.65
	Total	2709.93	261.12	0.14	2971.19

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