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**ADI DRAVIDAR  
AND  
TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT  
POLICY NOTE 2017 – 2018**

**INTRODUCTION:**

According to the recent census, the total population of Tamil Nadu is 7.21 crore, which includes Scheduled Castes 1.44 crore (20.01%) and Scheduled Tribes 7.95 lakh (1.10%). The Constitution of India considers the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as socially, educationally and economically backward. It is the objective of this department to uplift these people at all spheres.

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 of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. In its efforts to sustain the growth of these people, the department is implementing various schemes and for this purpose the Government have allocated Rs.3281.35 crore for the year 2017-2018.

### **EDUCATION**

The literacy rate of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Tamilnadu as per recent census is as below:

(in percentage)

<b>Category</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Total</b>
Total Population	86.77	73.44	80.09
Scheduled Castes	80.94	65.64	73.26
Scheduled Tribes	61.81	46.80	54.34

**Details of this department schools and strength of students**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Classification of Schools</b>	<b>No. of Schools</b>	<b>No. of Students</b>
1.	Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools	1,134	1,06,390
2.	Government Tribal Residential Schools	314	27,652
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,448</b>	<b>1,34,042</b>

Out of the total allocation of Rs.3281.35 crore for this department for the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.2935.65 crore (89.46%) has been earmarked for education and its allied schemes.

## **I. ADI DRAVIDAR WELFARE**

### **1. Educational Scholarships**

#### **(a) Post-Matric Scholarship**

The above scholarship is given to the students pursue studies from XI standard are eligible for scholarship if their parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2.5 lakh.

An assistance of Rs.230/- to Rs.550/- per month is given to the students pursue studies as day scholars.

Depending upon the course, maintenance allowance of Rs.380/- to Rs.1200/- per month is being credited into the bank accounts of the students pursue studies as hostellers. Besides, all the compulsory and non refundable fees payable by the students studying in Government and Government aided institutions are credited as Scholarship by the Government to the account of the institutions.

Scholarship is being credited to the accounts of the students studying in self financing colleges too. Further, the tuition fees is directly credited to the account of the colleges by the Government. Depending upon the course of the students, maintenance allowance is credited to the bank account of them. For the students studying in Industrial Training Institutes the scholarship is credited into the accounts of the students and the institutions directly by the Director of Adi Dravidar Welfare.

Under the Government of India's Post Matric Scholarship scheme, a sum of Rs.1,467.15 crore for Scheduled Castes and Rs.32.26 crore for Scheduled Tribes has been allocated for the financial year 2017-2018.



**(b) State's Special Post–Matric Scholarship**

This scholarship is credited to the accounts of the Scheduled Caste students converted to Christianity and educational institutions by the Director, if their parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh. An amount of Rs.100/- to Rs.175/- per month for day scholars and Rs.175/- to Rs.350/- per month for the hostellers are credited depending upon the course in which they study.

All the compulsory and non refundable fees, payable by the students continuing their education in Government and Government aided institutions are credited into the accounts of the institutions by the Director.

Maintenance allowance credited to the accounts of the student and college fees is credited to the accounts of the self financing colleges.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.75.22 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

### **(c) Government of India Pre-Matric Scholarship**

(i) This scholarship is given to the children of Sanitary workers in Municipal Corporations, Municipalities, Town and Village Panchayats who are studying from 1<sup>st</sup> standard to 10<sup>th</sup> standard in various institutions. The children of other works such as Tanners, Flayers, Waste Pickers, Sewage cleaners are also eligible to avail this scholarship

#### **1. Scholarship**

- Rs.110/- per month for day scholars
- Rs.700/- per month for hostellers

credited to the bank accounts of students.

#### **2. Adhoc grant**

- Rs.750/- per annum for day scholars
- Rs.1000/- per annum for hostellers

credited to the bank accounts of students.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.8 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

(ii) Scholarship is being disbursed to the bank accounts of the students studying in IX and X standard in the schools recognized by the Government, if their parent or guardian's annual income is within the limit of Rs.2 lakh per annum as below: -

<b>Assistance</b>	<b>Day Scholars Rs.</b>	<b>Hostellers Rs.</b>
Maintenance Allowance	1500	3500
Adhoc grant	750	1000
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	2250	4500

For the year 2017-2018, an amount of Rs.113.31 crore for Scheduled Castes and Rs.1.5 crore for Scheduled Tribes has been allocated for the above scheme.

**(d) State Government's Higher Educational Special Scholarship**

Special Scholarship is credited to the accounts of the students those who stay in the hostels of the educational institutions and pursuing Degree and Polytechnic Courses at the rate of Rs.7500/- per annum and the students pursuing Post Graduate and Professional course at the rate of Rs.8000/- per annum if their parent or guardian's annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.24.46 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

**(e) Scholarship to pursue Ph.D. course abroad**

This scholarship is provided to the students who aspire to do Ph.D. research studies abroad in the fields of Engineering, Technology and Science

disciplines, if their parent or guardian's income limit does not exceed Rs.3 lakh per annum.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.30 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

**(f) Financial Assistance to Ph.D. students**

Financial assistance at the rate of Rs.50,000/- per student per annum for 4 years is disbursed by the Director to the bank accounts of the students (700 students per year) who pursue full time Ph.D. research study in the recognized universities of Government of India and State Government. The parent or guardian's annual income should not exceed Rs.2 lakh.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.3.50 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

**2. Educational Fee Concessions**

**(a) Tuition Fee Concession**

The students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity studying in

Government and Government aided institutions are fully exempted by the State Government from paying the Tuition fees to the educational institutions without income ceiling.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.7.81 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

**(b) Concessions to the Under Graduate students**

The Students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity pursuing Under Graduate courses in the Government and Government aided Arts and Science Colleges are exempted by the State Government from paying the Special Fee and the Examination Fee without income limit.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.40 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

**(c) Concession to the Post Graduate Girl students**

The girl students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity

pursuing Post Graduate courses in the Government and Government aided Arts and Science Colleges are exempted by the State Government from paying the Special Fee and the Examination fee without income limit.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.25 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

#### **(d) Special Fee Concession**

The students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity studying in 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> standard in Government, Government Aided and Private schools are exempted from the payment of Special fee and the fee is directly disbursed to the educational institutions.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.1.71 crore has been allocated under this scheme.

#### **(e) Fee Concessions**

The students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity studying in X and

XII standard in Government, Government Aided and Private schools are exempted from the payment of examination fee and the fee is disbursed to the institutions directly by the State Government. The exam fees to the students pursuing studies through English medium is disbursed to the Directorate of the Government Examinations by the Government. The students applied for pursuing Under Graduation, Post Graduation and Professional courses in the Government and Government aided Colleges are exempted from payment of Application Fees and Registration Fee and the fees is disbursed to the educational institutions directly by the Government.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.2.96 crore has been allocated under this scheme.



### **3. Special Incentive Scheme for Girl students**

Education is the important factor for the development of the society. The Girl's incentive scheme is being implemented by the State Government to the students belonging to this department to reduce dropouts, to improve their quality education and to ensure 100% enrollment in schools. The students belonging to this Department studying from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> standard are given Rs.500/- per annum as incentive. This scheme has been extended to the girl students belonging to this department studying in all the Government and Government aided schools in all the Districts from the year 2011-2012.

A sum of Rs.17 crore has been allocated for the year 2017-2018.

An incentive of Rs.1000/- per year is provided to the girl students of this Department if they continue studies in VI standard and

Rs.1500/- per year for the Girl students studying in VII and VIII standards from 2013-2014 onwards.

For the year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.38.11 crore has been allocated under this scheme.

#### **4. Awards**

Prize money is being awarded at State and District Levels each to three best students of this Department and converted to Christianity studied in Government, Government Aided and Private schools. There is no income limit to avail this prize.

##### **(i) State Level Awards**

Cash prizes are awarded to three best students studied in X and XII standards at the State Level among all types of schools as below: -

Sl. No.	Class	Details	Eligibility	Rs.
1.	XII Std.	One best girl and one best boy from each category of students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity ( <b>2X3X3 = 18 students</b> )	First 3 best students	50,000 30,000 20,000
2.	X Std.	One best girl and one best boy from each category of students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity ( <b>2X3X3 = 18 students</b> )	First 3 best students	25,000 20,000 15,000
3.	XII Std. (25 best students)	One best girl or one best boy from each category of students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity ( <b>1X25X3 = 75 students</b> )	Each best student	2,000
4.	X Std. (5 best students)	One best girl or one best boy from each category of students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity ( <b>1X5X3 = 15 students</b> )	Each best student	1,000

Every year, nearly 126 students are benefitted under this scheme.

## **(ii) District Level Awards**

Cash awards are given to three best students studied in X and XII standards among all types of Schools at District level. The awards have been enhanced since 2014-2015.

### **10<sup>th</sup> Standard**

<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount per student in Rs.</b>	<b>No. of best students</b>	<b>Total amount (Rs. in lakh)</b>
<b>First 3 Best Students</b>			
One best boy and one best girl among the students of this Department and converted to Christianity in each district	3,000	64	1.92
	2,000	64	1.28
	1,000	64	0.64
<b>Total</b>		<b>192</b>	<b>3.84</b>

## 12th Standard

Details	Amount per student in Rs.	No.of best students	Total amount (Rs. in lakh)
<b>First 3 Best Students</b> One best boy and one best girl among the students of this Department and converted to Christianity in each district	6,000	64	3.84
	4,000	64	2.56
	2,000	64	1.28
<b>Total</b>		<b>192</b>	<b>7.68</b>

### (iii) State Level prizes to the students of the schools run by this department

Cash awards are given at the enhanced rate from 2014-2015 to three best students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity studied in X and XII standards in this Department Schools (one boy or one girl) at State level :

<b>Awards</b>	<b>Amount</b>	
	<b>X Std</b>	<b>XII Std</b>
First three best students	Rs.25,000	Rs.50,000
	Rs.20,000	Rs.30,000
	Rs.15,000	Rs.20,000

Every year a minimum of 18 students are benefitted under this scheme.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.40 lakh has been allocated under this Scheme.

## **5. Awards for Students to join in Colleges**

The students studied XII standard in Government, Government aided and Private Schools belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity continuing their studies in colleges are given prize money awards.

### **(i) Chief Minister's Merit Award**

1000 best boys and 1000 best girls belonging to this department and converted to Christianity students studied in Government,

Government aided and private schools in XII standard and continuing their college studies are given a cash award of Rs.3000/- per annum for a period of 5 years.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.1 crore 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 Scheduled Caste students (one best boy and one best girl) studied in Government, Government aided and private schools in XII standard in each District. The award for the first year is Rs.2000/- and Rs.1,500/- per annum for the subsequent five years.

Every year 64 new students are benefitted under this scheme.

For the year 2017-2018, 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 best boy and one best girl belonging to the Tribal and converted to Christianity students studied in XII standard in Government, Government aided and Private Schools in each District. The award for the first year is Rs.2000/- and Rs.1,500/- per annum for the subsequent five years.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.4 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

### **(iv) Award to College Students who secure 60% marks**

Special award is given to the best students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity in Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate and Professional Course in Government and Government aided and in private colleges.



The Special 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 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.42 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

### **(v) Award to Bright Students**

Under this scheme, two best students in each category belonging to this department and converted to Christianity studied X standard in Government, Government aided and private schools in each district and continuing their studies are awarded a sum of Rs.1600/- for the first year and Rs.2000/- per annum for the subsequent five years.

## **6. Supply of Text Books and Note Books at free of cost**

Text books are supplied to this department school students studying 1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standards and

note books are supplied to 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> standard students by the School Education Department.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.5 crore has been allocated under this scheme.

## **7. Distribution of Uniforms at free of cost**

Uniforms are being stitched by the Social Welfare Department to the students studying in this department schools in standards 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> and distributed through the Head Masters. As far as the students studying in 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standards of this department school are concerned, the members of the Industrial Co-operative Society taking measurement and stitching the uniforms and distributed through the Head Masters. The students studying in various schools and staying in the hostels of this department also provided with uniforms after taking measurement stitched by the members of the Industrial Co-operative Societies and the stitched uniforms are distributed through the Wardens or Matrons concerned.

For the financial year 2017-2018, Rs.20 crore has been allocated under this scheme

## **8. Supply of books**

All types of books are purchased and supplied for the use of the students staying in the newly opened school hostels. Similarly once in 2 years, all kinds of books are supplied to the newly opened College hostels.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.12.80 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

## **9. Distribution of Bicycles at free of cost**

Bicycles are supplied to the students belonging to this department and converted to Christianity studying in 11<sup>th</sup> standard in the Government, Government Aided Higher Secondary Schools and partly aided schools and also for the students who were not supplied in 11<sup>th</sup> standard.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.69.29 crore has been allocated under this scheme.

#### **10. Admission of students in 11<sup>th</sup> std in Reputed Schools**

The best 10th standard students belonging to this Department and converted to Christianity studied in Government and Government Aided schools are selected under this scheme and admitted in reputed private schools in the 11<sup>th</sup> standard. For this scheme, Government spends an amount of Rs.28,000/- per annum per student. As soon as the 10<sup>th</sup> results are released, the District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officers shall obtain the list of 10 best students of this Department from the website and Chief Educational Officers, select the students and admit in the reputed private schools of the same or nearby Districts and release the scholarship amount directly to the concerned educational institutions.

Every year, 320 students are benefitted statewide under this scheme. Annual income limit should not exceed Rs.1 lakh.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.15 crore has been allocated under this scheme.

### **11. Admission of Students in VI Standard in Reputed Schools**

Bright students of this department and converted to Christianity students studying in 5<sup>th</sup> standard in Government, Government Aided Schools are selected by conducting an examination by the School Education Department. The selected students are admitted in the reputed private schools of the same or nearby Districts by the education department authorities. The Education authorities select the students at the ratio of 1 student per Block and admit them in 6<sup>th</sup> standard in the reputed schools. Scholarship is disbursed to the students by this department to

stay in the hostels run by the private schools. This scholarship amount is being sanctioned from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standard in order to continue their studies.

## 12. Hostels

This department is running hostels nearby to the schools and colleges for the benefit of this department students. Many facilities are provided in these hostels for the benefit of students.

The number of the Hostels functioning under this Department and the sanctioned strength of the students are as follows: -

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Classification of Hostels</b>	<b>No. of Hostels</b>	<b>No. of Students</b>
1	Adi Dravidar welfare Hostels	1,324	98,539
2	Tribal Hostels	42	2,782
3	GTR Schools	314	27,652
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,680</b>	<b>1,28,973</b>

### **13. Assistance to the Schools and Hostels run by Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)**

The Government is providing food charges as grant to the hostels run by the 36 NGOs under the control of this Department which benefits 4977 Scheduled Castes students and 827 Tribal students. Apart from that, miscellaneous charges and other allowances are also provided for these hostels run by the NGOs as provided to the inmates of the Government hostels.

#### **(i) Muthukaruppan Memorial Educational Trust Schools**

In the schools run by Muthukaruppan Educational Trust there are 4044 Scheduled Castes students studying in 1<sup>st</sup> standard to 12<sup>th</sup> standards. Since 2006, salary grant to the teachers has been provided for this trust. During 2016-2017 a sum of Rs.5.24 crore has been sanctioned as teaching grant to 109 teaching posts.

Moreover, approval was also given for sanction of grant to 18 teaching and non teaching posts from the year 2017-2018.

## **Hostels**

There are 3500 students staying in the Trust's hostel. 32 posts consisting of Wardens, Cooks, Watchman and Sweeper have been sanctioned from the year 2014-2015 and a sum of Rs.1.39 crore has been provided as grant for hostel staff.

### **(ii) Society for Rural Development (SFRD)**

The Society for Rural Development is running a School at Tiruvannamalai District for the Tribal students. In this school, 2159 students are studying in 1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standards. Teaching grant is being sanctioned from the year 2005 onwards. A sum of Rs.1.91 crore has been provided as teaching grant by the Government for 36 teaching and 7 non teaching posts.



#### **14. Issuance of Free House Site Pattas to Adi Dravidar and Tribal Families**

Under this scheme, free house site pattas are distributed to this department families. 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 beneficiaries. The annual income of the beneficiary under this scheme is fixed as Rs.72,000/-.

For the financial year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.6 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

#### **15. Burial Grounds and Pathways**

The Government is allocating funds for providing burial grounds and pathways to burial grounds for Adi Dravidar habitations and also 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 in respect of drinking water facility and 10% of cost in respect of link roads are borne by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department.

For the financial year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.75.84 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

#### **16. Financial Assistance for Funeral Rites**

Financial assistance of Rs.2,500/- is given to this department 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 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.5 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

#### **17. Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)**

The Government of India is providing 100% grant under its schemes to make it more benefit

as an additive amount to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan to the State to enhance the infrastructure facilities to remove the hurdles in the family income generating schemes, to encourage the above schemes and also to enhance the productivity and income of the Scheduled Caste families. Under this scheme, 80% of the funds are utilised for Economic Development activities of Scheduled Caste people.

10% of funds is used for imparting Skill Development Training to unemployed Scheduled Caste 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 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.150 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

## 18. Community Certificates

- i. The Tahsildar is empowered to issue community certificates to the Scheduled Castes. Appeals may be preferred before the Revenue Divisional Officer or Sub-Collector, if refused for issuance of Scheduled Castes certificates.
- ii. District Level Vigilance Committees have been constituted to verify the genuineness of the Scheduled Caste 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
2	District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officer	Member Secretary	

3	An Anthro- pologist	Member	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.
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**19. Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and Amendment Act, 2015**

**a) Removal of Untouchability**

All steps are being taken by the Government to abolish untouchability and prevent atrocities against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe 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 1989 and Amendment Act 2015, PoA Rules 1995 and Amended Rules 2016 have

been enacted by the Government of India and are being implemented effectively in our State. The above said Amendment Act 2015 and amendment Rules 2016 were came into force on 01.01.2016 and 14.04.2016 respectively.

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 and 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 and 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 and 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 SCs and STs.

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, as per the amendment made to Rule 17 of the SCs and STs (PoA) Rules 1995 which has been notified in the Government of India Gazette on 08.11.2013, orders have been issued in G.O. (Ms) No. 6, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Dept, Dated: 20.01.2015 to constitute Sub-division Level Vigilance and Monitoring committees in each Revenue Sub-divisions of the districts headed by the Sub-divisional Magistrate with official and



non-official members. The Sub-division Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committees 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 2017-2018, Rs.11.87 crore 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 Neyya Vara Vizha” is celebrated in all the districts from 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> January, 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.91.95 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 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.3.10 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

## **20. 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 this department 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 this department scholar and converted to Christianity and one for 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.

## **21. Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP)**

The Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP) has been implemented in Tamilnadu from 1980-1981. The basic objective of this scheme 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.

This department has been designated as the Nodal Department and the Principal Secretary to Government, is 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 this

Department for the effective implementation of the schemes for Adi Dravidars. There are 20 sectoral departments comprising of 38 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 2017-2018 has allocated Rs.11,627.43 crore under the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan out of the State's Total Annual Plan Outlay of Rs.54,564.19 crore which is 21.31% of Annual Plan Outlay and it is more than the percentage (20.01%) of Scheduled Caste population of the State.

## **II. TRIBAL WELFARE**

### **Introduction**

A separate Tribal Welfare Directorate was created on 01.04.2000 and functioning to look after the welfare of Tribal people. The population of Tribes is more than 10,000 in 18 Districts viz., Salem, Tiruvannamalai, 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.

## **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), Tiruchirappalli (Pachamalai), Dharmapuri (Sittheri Hills) and Vellore (Jawadhu and Yelagiri hills) where the Tribal population is 50% or exceeds of the total population. In G.O. (D) No 34, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare (ADW1) Department, dt. 25.04.2017, orders have been issued for sanction of 7 Project Offices in 7 districts to implement the scheme of Tribal Welfare in ITDP areas.

## **Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs):**

Based on the population, the Tribal people are categorised into two groups. Tribal people who are concentrately living in a particular area are called Tribal Groups and the Tribes who are scattered throughout all the districts are called Dispersed Tribal Groups.

Out of the 36 Tribal communities in Tamilnadu, 6 Tribal Communities i.e. Toda, Kota, Kurumbas, Irular, Paniyan and Kattunayakan population has not been decreased or increased and it remains static. Hence, they are known as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).

### **1. 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  
and



(iii) Scheme for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups.

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

60% of the funds are utilized to start any viable income generating activities and 30% of funds are provided for creating infrastructure facilities in Tribal areas. Under this scheme funds are utilized mainly for supplying milch animals and for income generating programmes. The remaining 10% of the funds are utilised for creating employment opportunities for Tribal people.

For the welfare of tribal people "Pakku Palavitham" (Arecanut leaf - Plate making) training was given in Salem District and 5 units have been set up in Karumandurai, Salem in April 2017. As such training for maintenance and upkeep of milch animals has been done in Dharmapuri and training for "Traditional Recipes,

(பாரம்பரிய சமையல்)” "Maintenance of Cow (பசு பராமரிப்பு)” and "Investment in Bamboo (மூங்கில் மூலதனம்)” will also be conducted in this year in ITDA districts.

In Cheyyar Taluk of Tiruvannamalai, a Tribal Smart City in the name of "Abdulkalampuram" has been newly formed and the works are in progress since October 2016, for which the Government has released Rs.1.59 crore.

For the implementation of Tribal Welfare Schemes 2 Special Tahsildar offices are newly created at Gudalur and Conoor Taluk in The Nilgiris District.

For the financial year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.6.51 crore 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. Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) at Salem Abhinavam and Villupuram Vellimalai are managed with these funds. This fund is also being utilized for the implementation of the Forest Dwellers Act, 2006.

Funds have been earmarked for the recurring expenditure for the existing 2 Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) functioning at Vellimalai in Villupuram, and Abinavam in Salem. In addition, 2 New EMRS at Athipattu in Tiruvannamalai and Nanjanadu in Ooty, which have been opened during 2016-2017. The EMRS, Nanjanadu and Athipattu are functioning in a temporary building. For the construction of permanent School and Hostel building in Ooty, 20 Acres of land has been identified in the campus of Tribal Research Centre, M.Palada, Ooty and the preliminary work for construction is in progress.

For the first time NCC Unit has been started in EMRS at Nanjanadu, Ooty. Steps are being taken to start Smart Classes in the GTR Schools. Action has been taken to supply Steam Boilers, Rain Coat, Plate, Tumbler and Sports articles to GTR Schools in phased manner.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.16.72 crore 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 every year 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 under this scheme.

For the year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.20 crore 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 and 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 the 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 during 2015 filed an Interlocutory Application before 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 granted by the High Court. Necessary ground work has been carried out for the distribution of title deeds to the claimants and based on the Geo-referencing, individual rights and community rights have been taken up for distribution to 2620 (individual rights – 2551 and community rights – 69) beneficiaries. Necessary action has been taken to distribute the rights to the beneficiaries in 12 districts.

## **2. Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme**

The Government has allocated a sum of Rs.50 crore for the Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme for the year 2017-2018. Through this programme Tribal 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. Apart from this, sanction has also accorded for construction of 5 ITI buildings and Hostel Buildings under this scheme.

## **3. 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 collection of data 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.

#### **4. 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

#### **5. 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.

## **6. Community Certificates**

- i. 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 the District Collector for Scheduled Tribes. Final appeal lies with State Level Scrutiny Committee for deciding the issuance of Scheduled Tribe community certificates.
- ii. The State Level Scrutiny Committee has been constituted to verify the Scheduled Tribe community certificates as detailed below :-

## State Level Scrutiny Committee (SLSC)

1	Principal 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 stated 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:

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Post</b>	<b>Number of Posts</b>
1.	Senior Deputy Superintendent of Police	1
2.	Inspector of Police or Sub Inspector of Police	1
3.	Police Constable	1

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

## **7. Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP)**

The "Tribal Sub-Plan" is implemented from the year 1976-1977 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.

This Department is the Nodal Department and the Principal Secretary to Government of this Department is the Nodal Officer for the formulation and implementation of TSP at State Level. The monitoring and review of the performance of the TSP at District Level is entrusted to the Director of Tribal Welfare in the capacity as the Monitoring Officer.

The TSP includes various schemes of 20 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 2017-2018 has allocated a sum of Rs.607.50 crore (1.11%) under the TSP

(Expenditure on Tribal Welfare) out of the State's Total Annual Plan Outlay (Welfare Expenditure of the State) of Rs.54,564.19 crore and it is over and above the percentage of ST population in Tamil Nadu.

### **III. TAMILNADU ADI DRAVIDAR HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO) was commissioned in 1974 under the Companies Act, 1956 initially as a construction company for construction of fire proof houses for the people of Scheduled Castes. Since 1980-1981, the Corporation has also been involved in socio economic development activities for the benefit of Adi Dravidar people.

#### **1. SHARE CAPITAL**

This Corporation was commissioned in 1974 with the share capital of Rs.1 crore. At present the Authorized Share Capital and Paid Up Share Capital of the Corporation are Rs.150 crore and Rs.141.53 crore respectively. Since 1980, the paid up Share Capital of the Corporation is

contributed by the Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of India in the ratio of 51:49. A sum of Rs.44.59 crore is yet to be received from Government of India from the years 2003-2004 to 2016-2017. The company was given a new lease of life by the Government of Tamil Nadu by releasing a sum of Rs.46.41 crore as share of the State Government for the period between 2003-2004 and 2016-2017.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

1. Construction Activities.
2. Economic Development Activities
3. Training in Skill Development & Training for Competitive Exams and for Higher studies.

## **3. Economic Development Schemes implemented by TAHDCO for Adi Dravidars**

Eventhough Government aims to improve the living standard of this department peoples population who are at the last rung of social



ladder through formulation of need based programme there is a gap between the socio-economic development and the social status of the Adi Dravidar people. To bridge this gap, various socio-economic development schemes are implemented. The commitment to bridge the gap of socio-economic status and accessibility of resources for 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 2011-2012** which definitely makes a visible change in their life. For the financial year 2017-2018, an action plan is prepared to sanction a sum of Rs.135 crore as subsidy.

#### **(i) LAND PURCHASE SCHEME**

In the year 2004–2005 an exclusive scheme for women was introduced for empowering them and also to improve the size of land holding of this community.

## **(ii) LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

This scheme is extended to all the land owners of Adi Dravidar community. The aim of the scheme is to create water resources and irrigation facilities and thereby enhance income through lands.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.17.37 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 2198 persons.

## **(iii) ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (EDP)**

In order to reduce the poverty of Adi Dravidar people in the age group of 18 to 65 years, financial assistance is provided to start various types of business irrespective of their educational qualification. This scheme can be accessed both by individuals and groups.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.78.25 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 4348 persons.

**(iv) SPECIAL SCHEME UNDER EDP – Assistance for Petrol / Diesel / Gas retail outlets**

Financial assistance is provided for establishing Petrol / Diesel / Gas retail outlets. To enable the Adi Dravidars to access the A & B categories of Petrol / Diesel / Gas outlets financial assistance is given for purchase of land and deposit for bank guarantee. On sanctioning of dealership the selected person provided with Financial assistance access for working capital. Under this scheme, individuals can be benefitted either before selection or on selection.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.11.25 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 5 persons.

**(v) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH (SEPY)**

SEPY caters to the educated, un-employed youth in the age group between 18 and 45,

who desire to establish their own profession or business enterprises.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.18 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 1000 persons.

**(vi) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH – SEPY-SPECIAL - FOR MEDICAL AND PARAMEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS**

SEPY- Special caters to those who have Graduated in the Medicine (MBBS) Dentists (BDS) Siddha Doctors (BSMS), Ayurvedic Doctors (BAMS) who wish to establish their own clinic or Lab or Stores. From the year 2013–2014, this scheme was extended to paramedical disciplines viz., physiotherapists, pharmacists, opticians and lab technicians who have registered their names with the appropriate authority.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.42 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 28 persons.

### **(vii) REVOLVING FUND ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN SELF HELP GROUPS (SHGs)**

In order to promote micro-enterprises and as a measure of poverty eradication, Revolving Fund assistance is provided to the Women SHGs, Men SHG, Men & Women SHGs, Third Gender SHG and Differently Abled persons SHG Groups with Adi Dravidar people as their members. A subsidy of Rs.25,000/- is 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 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.75 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 300 SHGs with 4500 beneficiaries.

### **(viii) ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS**

Financial Assistance for income generating programme is yet another measure for Economic empowerment of women as a group. 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, Women and Men Self Help Groups, Third Gender Self Help Groups which have been credit rated twice 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 less is sanctioned as subsidy to the Self Help Groups.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.8.75 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 350 SHGs with 5250 beneficiaries/members.

#### **(ix) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (UPSC)**

To support the Civil Services aspirants belonging to Adi Dravidar communities, financial assistance of Rs.50,000 is given to those who have passed Civil Services (Preliminary)

Examination to enable them to prepare for Civil Services (Main) Examination.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.50 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 100 persons.

**(x) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (TNPSC GROUP-I)**

TNPSC Group-I is the top most civil services of the State. In order to encourage Adi Dravidar students those who are in pursuit of Group I Services, financial assistance of Rs.50,000/- has been provided.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.25 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 50 persons.

## **(xi) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW GRADUATES**

The Financial Assistance of Rs.50,000/- as an one time grant is provided to the law graduates studied in Tamil Nadu Law University, Deemed Universities and the Law Colleges recognized by the Law University for setting up their profession in between the age group of 25 to 45 years and they should registered in the State and All India Bar Councils.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.2.50 crore has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 500 persons.



**(xii) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT / COST  
ACCOUNTANT TO SET UP THEIR  
PROFESSION**

Financial assistance of Rs.50,000 is provided as grant to Adi Dravidar students to encourage the young Chartered Accountant and Cost Accountant to set up own profession.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.5 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 10 persons.

**(xiii) TAHDCO CHAIRMAN / MANAGING  
DIRECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Assistance is provided for the weaker people of the Adi Dravidars for their medical treatment, gap filling assistance to those who pursue primary education to professional courses and immediate relief to persons affected in communal clashes and any other activities which deserve a helping hand subject to rules in vogue

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.70 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 200 persons.

**(xiv) COLLECTORS' DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Under the scheme, an assistance upto Rs.20,000/- is provided as grant 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 as deserved for grant by the District Collector.

For the financial year 2017-2018, a sum of Rs.52.27 lakh has been allocated as subsidy for the benefit of 262 persons.

**(xv) FAST TRACK POWER SUPPLY**

In accordance with the Hon'ble Chief Minister's announcement, made during 2016-2017, Fast Track Power Supply is being provided to 1000 farmers at the rate of Rs.75,000/- per connection.

#### **4. 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 modernized 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's share capital.

#### **5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED THROUGH TAHDCO FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES**

For economic development of Scheduled Tribes, action plan has been prepared for a sum of Rs.16 crore as subsidy for the year 2017-2018. Under individual beneficiary schemes, an individual may get 50% subsidy i.e. minimum of

Rs.3.75 lakh to maximum of 5.50 lakh of project cost.

**(i) LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

Under this scheme, loan assistance with 50% subsidy is provided to the land owners of Tribal Community for land development such as minor irrigation, digging of wells and installation of electric motor pumps, etc. to improve water sources for agriculture purpose.

**(ii) FAST TRACK POWER SUPPLY SCHEME**

Under this scheme, Rs.75,000/- is given to TANGEDCO for providing free power supply to Tribal farmer for each connection.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.1.88 crore is to be provided for the benefit of 250 Tribal farmers.

### **(iii) ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

With an aim to upgrade Tribes from the level of labour to entrepreneur, financial assistance is given to the Tribal people of the age group 18 to 65 to start their own business.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.10.80 crore is to be provided for the benefit of 288 Tribal people.

### **(iv) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH (SEPY)**

Financial Assistance is given to the Tribal youth in the age group of 18 to 45, who desire to establish their own profession and business. Assistance is also provided to the Tribal youth who possess driving license for purchase of passenger vehicle and jeep.

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.2.24 crore is to be provided for the benefit of 56 Tribal youth.

**(v) REVOLVING FUND ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS (SHGs):**

As a measure of poverty alleviation, Revolving Fund assistance is provided to the Women SHGs, Men SHGs, Men & Women SHGs, Third Gender SHGs and Differently Abled persons SHGs with Tribal people as their members. A subsidy of Rs.25,000/- is given to each group.

**(vi) ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS**

Financial Assistance is provided to Tribal SHGs for income generating activities. Women Self Help Groups, Men Self Help Groups, Women & Men Self Help Groups, Third Gender Self Help Groups, SHG of Widows

For the financial year 2017-2018 a sum of Rs.26.25 lakh is to be provided for 7 SHGs for the benefit of 105 Tribal members.

## **6. SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING**

To create employment opportunities and to strengthen the skill needs specific to trades among the youths suitable skill development training programmes are organized through well known and recognized institutes. The training programmes are conducted from 10% allocation under SCA Fund and from funds given by Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation.

### **The important Training Programmes given by TAHDCO.**

- Multimedia & Animation
- Architectural & Civil 2D Drafting with AutoCAD
- Fashion Technology
- Apparel Pattern Making
- Assistant Beautician
- Assistant Hair Stylist
- Repair & Maintenance of Split A/C

- Electrician
- Cutting & Tailoring
- Assistant Computer Hardware& Networking
- Retail Management
- Engineer Trainee
- Infra-structure Engineer
- Telecom management
- Solar Electric installer & Service Provider
- Tour Agent & Travel operator
- Accountant
- Assistant Ticket Reservation
- Hand Embroider
- Plastic Processing
- Injection Moulding
- Blow Moulding
- Machine Operator



From the financial year 2013–14 to 2016–17, 21,391 candidates were trained through 55 institutes at a cost of Rs.30.04 crore.

## **7. CONSTRUCTION WING**

TAHDCO is undertaking the construction of school buildings, schools and college hostels, science labs, toilets, community halls for this department students and basic infrastructure facilities to this department habitations.

## **8. CENTRAL GOVERNMENT WORKS**

TAHDCO undertakes construction of hostel buildings for this Department students under BJRCY scheme and construction of Eklavya Model Residential School buildings with the assistance of Government of India.

## **9. STATE GOVERNMENT WORKS**

Construction of ITI buildings, ITI hostels, class rooms, labs, hostels, working women hostels, compound walls, community halls, toilet blocks, providing road works and maintainance and repairs and maintenance of Tribal hostels are being implemented under State Government Scheme.

## **10. NABARD SCHEME WORKS**

During the year 2017–2018, sanction has been given under RIDF of NABARD XIX, XXI, XXII Schemes for the construction of additional classrooms, laboratories, infrastructure facilities such as compound wall, water supply, toilet blocks and new hostel buildings to this department schools.

At present, TAHDCO construction wing has taken up execution of 666 works to a total value of Rs.263.69 Crore.

**IV. Financial allocation to Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department during 2017-2018**

**(Rs. in crore)**

Sl. No.	Department	Revenue	Capital	Loan	Total
1	Secretariat	6.86	0	0	6.86
2	Adi Dravidar Welfare	2808.36	200.98	0	3009.34
3	Tribal Welfare	237.13	28.02	0	265.15
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3052.35</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3281.35</b>

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