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be given due consideration for recommending any proposal for funding under the Scheme;

i) Existing potential of different MFP items within the State;

ii) Present level of exploitation - MFP item-wise in the State.

iii) Price paid to tribals through the intervention of State TDCC and other wise during the last 3 years.

iv) Infrastructure like processing facilities (in terms of value addition) existingavailable capacity and present level) of utilisation of the State, both in Public Cooperative and private sector;

v) Possibility for future expansion in terms of new uses and value added

items; and

vi) Cost analysis in terms of different components like prices to tribals, overheads, royalty etc.

It has been experienced that the State Governments have been sending their proposals to the Ministry under this scheme at a very late stage during the financial year making it quite difficult to examine the proposals in the right perspective as well as the releasing the money in time. This has resulted in non-utilisation of the budgetary allocation of this Ministry during 1999-2000. In this regard, D.O. letter No. 17014/2/2000-TDB dated 06.04.2000from Secretary (Tribal Affairs) to all the Chief Secretaries may kindly be referred to. A copy of the letter is also enclosed for ready reference. Accordingly, you are requested to send the proposal alongwith your recommendations at the earliest so that the funds under the scheme can be released to the State Governments in time.

While recommending the proposals the following points are required to be categorically mentioned in the proposal:

i) Authorised share capital of the Corporation.

- ii) The paid up share capital of the Corporation
- iii) The Central Government Share
- iv) The State Government Share.
- v) Utilisation Certificate for the grants already released alongwith beneficiaries covered/and details of tangible benefits (for on going proposals)