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To

1. All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries in charge of State Tribal Welfare Departments.
(All States except Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab and Haryana)
2. Administrators (All UT except Chandigarh)

Subject: Provision of Funds from TSP for undertaking activities under Forest Rights Act -2006

Sir/Madam,

Scheduled Tribe and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA in short) is a historical legislation to bestow the right to hold and live in the forest land under the individual or common occupation for habitation or self-cultivation, right of ownership, access to collect, use and dispose of minor forest produce and other community rights of uses or entitlements, tenure of habitat and habitation for primitive tribal groups and pre-agricultural communities, traditional seasonal resource access of nomadic or pastoral communities as well as right to protect, regenerate, conserve or manage any community forest resource etc. It is expected that the local administration and committees constituted under the Act will take proactive steps to do required handholding of the poor scheduled tribes and other traditional forest dwellers as well as Gram Sabhas to achieve the desired objectives of the Act.

Following activities are important:

- A. Awareness generation,
 - B. Regular meetings of Forest Rights Committee, Gram Sabha, Sub Divisional Level Committees (SDLC) and District Level Committees (DLC),
2. After issuing of Individual Forest Rights (IFR) and titles under the act, the incorporation of forest rights in the relevant Government Records including Record of Rights is required to be ensured by DLC after proper physical survey by settlement / survey / revenue authorities, so that