

**Presentation by Kerala:**

The State has informed that 7904 claims are rejected at all three levels out of which 894 claims are rejected at DLC level. 873 claims out of 894 claims rejected at DLC level need further review so as wrongful rejection can be traced out. The State Government has been undertaking the exercise of suo- moto review of rejected claims and giving the opportunity of appeal to claimants.

**Presentation by Karnataka:**

In the State, rate of rejection is quite high as out of 48,899 ST individual claims 36,190 claims have been rejected while out of 2,30,126 OTFD individual claims, 1,74,702 claims have been rejected. Regarding procedure adopted while rejecting FRA claims, claimants have not been given an opportunity to submit their grievances and due procedure as prescribed under FRA, 2006 and Rules made thereunder have not been followed in terms of providing reasoned order to claimants and giving opportunity to prefer appeal etc. The State has started suo-moto review of rejected cases and in progress. Number of finally rejected cases at DLC level is 502. However, the number of rejected cases which can lead to eviction is not given as process of review is incomplete.

**Presentation by Madhya Pradesh:**

The State has found that due procedure was not followed while examining the FRA claims and their settlement and in majority of cases the claimants have not been served with speaking order in the cases of rejection and reasons of rejection were not cited. The claimants were given opportunity to adduce evidence but forest department did not give its official records due to which evidence could not be adduced. The State is reviewing rejected claims with the help of newly developed