

D.O.No.16015/3/2000-TDB

23rd May, 2000

Dear

This is regarding follow-up Action Taken by the Government on the Recommendations/Observations contained in the 5th Report of the Standing Committee on Labour and Welfare concerning the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The relevant extracts of the Recommendations of the Standing Committee are as under:

"2.71 The Committee note with concern that in some States like Orissa, the Forest Divisions/ranges are leased out to private parties/contractors who trade the forest commodities which adversely affects the interests of the tribals. The Committee view the situation seriously and recommend that the Ministry should take up the matter with the concerned State Governments and impress upon them to discontinue this practice as it is not in the interest of the tribals."

"2.72 The Committee note that the rate of procurement of commodities such as Minor Forest Produces and tree borne seeds procured by TRIFED varies from State to State because of their State laws. In order to have uniform rate of commodities, adequate steps should be taken to strengthen TRIFED by enabling it to fix and determine the rates for all the commodities."

2. As far as para 2.71 is concerned it is a serious issue and needs to be attended to immediately. You are, therefore, requested to initiate necessary action and inform this Ministry accordingly.

3. As for para 2.72, the suggestion may be examined and your suggestion in this regard, may be sent to this Ministry immediately.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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To

All Chief Secretary of states
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