

Tribal Development Fund (TDF) will be used to support

- Sustainable and participatory livelihood programmes such as tree/ orchard based farming systems (wadi); mixed wadis (mixed farming/multi-tier farming; precision farming; natural farming, etc.
- Agri. allied and off farm activities;
- Traditional economic activities like collection of minor forest produce, herbal medicines, gums, natural dyes, sheep rearing, etc.;
- Livelihoods based on tribal art and craft;
- Vertical integration through creation of processing and marketing facilities, common infrastructure, etc.
- Measures to improve quality of life such as preventive health care and sanitation;
- Women empowerment through promotion of thrift groups, drudgery reduction, income generation activities, enabling participation of women in institutions, etc.
- Special plans for landless;
- Training and capacity building of all stake holders such as farmers, PIAs, Government Departments, Corporate partners, etc. and engaging the services of resource support organizations;
- Strengthening of tribal organizations through promotion of co-operatives, project level committees, village level institutions, Producers Companies, etc.
- Potential and exploratory studies, mid- term, ex-post evaluation studies, support to events such as workshops, exhibitions, etc. for promoting tribal activities;
- Documentation through publication of literature, documentaries, video films, etc.; and
- Integrated development of tribal dominated villages with focus on sustainable agriculture practices and allied activities encompassing the entire chain of interventions.
- Publicity measures.

Nature of Support

The fund support will be need based, location specific and flexible for appropriate utilization.

The funding will be done by way of grant as found appropriate.

The Tribal Development Fund also envisages financial collaboration with State Governments, Corporates, NGOs, Trusts and other developmental agencies.