

# Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups

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## Key facts

75 tribal groups have been categorized categorized by Ministry of Home Affairs as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG)s. PVTGs reside in 18 States and UT of A&N Islands.

## Implementing agency

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements the Scheme of “Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)” exclusively for them.

## About the PVTGs development scheme

- Under the scheme, Conservation-cum-Development (CCD)/Annual Plans are to be prepared by each State/UT for their PVTGs based on their need assessment, which are then appraised and approved by the Project Appraisal Committee of the Ministry.
- Activities for development of PVTGs are undertaken in Sectors of Education, Health, Livelihood and Skill Development , Agricultural Development , Housing & Habitat, Conservation of Culture etc.

## Aim and Objectives

- The scheme aims at planning their(PVTGs) socio-economic development in a comprehensive manner while retaining the culture and heritage of the community by adopting habitat development approach and intervening in all spheres of their social and economic life, so that a visible impact is made in improvement of the quality of

life of PVTGs.

- The scheme follows the strategic approach of **Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana** , which is need-based and strives to optimise utilisation of resources available under various programs and aims at specific outcomes.

## Scope

The scheme will cover only the 75 identified PVTGs. The scheme is flexible because it enables each State to focus on areas that they consider relevant to their PVTGs and their socio-cultural environment. Activities under it may include the following:

- (a) Livelihood,
- (b) Employment opportunities and economic development of PVTGs through Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Dairy, and Skilling/ Vocational Training
- (c) Education, (Literacy, Drop-out, Residential schools in addition to SSA/RMSA).
- (d) Health, (Gap filling for effective health service delivery beyond NHM etc).
- (e) Provision of safe drinking water (gap filling where line Ministries do not provide complete/universal coverage),
- (f) Land distribution, land development,
- (g) Social security,
- (h) Housing and Habitat,
- (i) Connectivity (Road and Telecommunication),
- (j) Supply of Electricity (gap filling where line Ministries do not provide complete/universal coverage), Solar power, with provision of maintenance,

- (k) Irrigation (gap filling where line Ministries do not provide complete/universal coverage),
- (l) Urban Development,
- (m) Culture,
- (n) Sports including traditional and tribal games and sports,
- (o) Any other innovative activity for the comprehensive socio-economic development of PVTGs.

### **Implementing agencies**

- The scheme will be implemented in accordance CCD Plan prepared by the State/UT and executed through various agencies of the State Government/UT Administration like;
  1. Integrated Tribal Development Projects (ITDPs)/Integrated Tribal Development Agencies (ITDAs).
  2. Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs).
  3. State/UT Societies and
  4. (Panchayati Raj Institutions)PRIs as well as the line departments of Government of India. The State Government concerned will be responsible for proper execution, implementation, supervision and coordination of the scheme
- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs can also draw up plans for the PVTGs involving reputed National level bodies, including Industry Associations, and the concerned State Governments/ Agencies.

### **Funding pattern**

It is a 100% Central Sector Scheme. The funds will be released to States/UT in one/two instalment(s) in accordance with the annual programme proposed for a particular financial year in

the CCD Plan, subject to availability of funds with the  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs