

Minutes of APEX Committee Meeting dated 14.12.2020

A meeting of APEX Committee was held on 14.12.2020 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs to appraise and approve the proposals submitted by the Tribal Research Institutes of Uttar Pradesh for funding under the scheme "Support to TRIs". The following officers were present:

Ministry of Tribal Affairs

1. Sh. Deepak Khandekar, Secretary (Tribal Affairs)
2. Sh. Naval Jit Kapoor, Joint Secretary (A), MoTA
3. Ms. Yatinder Prasad, JS&FA, MoTA
4. Sh. Shiv Singh Meena, Economic Adviser, MoTA
5. Sh. Rajender Kumar, Director (TRI)
6. Ms. Reema Sharma, Under Secretary (TRI)

State representatives:

1. Sh. Ashok Kumar, Director, TWD

2. At the outset, Joint Secretary (TRI), MoTA welcomed the participants and gave a presentation on the performance of TRIs on various parameters. He put forth certain important aspects for consideration by all TRIs as under:

(i) TRIs should focus on quality of output with respect to sanctioned project so that research outcomes could be used effectively and meaningfully for the purpose of development of tribals.

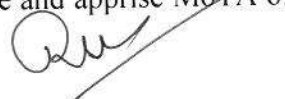
(ii) All the TRIs to ensure that there is no duplication of work involved with respect to projects submitted for approval for FY 2020-21.

(iii) Projects already sanctioned to be completed with due adherence to stipulated timelines and should be uploaded on National Tribal Research Portal webpage(<https://tritribal.gov.in>). Necessary login credentials for the same has already been shared with TRIs.

Submission of pending Utilization Certificates (UCs) and Physical Progress Reports (PPRs) be ensured to enable processing of release of funds for the year 2020-21.

(iv) All TRIs should upload report / publications, etc. pertaining to projects approved to them as part of deliverables in Tribal Digital Document Repository Webpage (<http://repository.tribal.gov.in>). Necessary login credentials for the same has already been shared with TRIs.

(v) TRIs to focus on timely completion of construction of Tribal Freedom Fighter Museums and TRI buildings as the case may be, wherever applicable and apprise MoTA of the progress of work on quarterly basis.



(vi) TRIs should share in advance dates of tribal festivals, workshops, seminars etc. being funded by MoTA and all TRIs for wider participation and share photographs and audio-visuals for records while uploading the same in Tribal repository webpage (<https://tribal.nic.in/repository>). Necessary login credentials for the same has already been shared with TRIs.

3. The Committee considered project proposals submitted by the State for the year 2020-21 and following decisions were made:

3.1 Committed Liability of previous years: Nil

Committed Liability during 2020-21

(Rs. in Lakh)

3.2 New proposals:

S. No.	Activity	Funds Sought for FY 2020-21 (in Lakh)	Amount Approved by APEX Committee (in Lakh)	Amount approved for release as 1 st installment for FY 2020-21 (in Lakh)	Remarks
1	Integrated Tribal Development Project, Chandan Chowki Lakhimpur for setting up a Tribal Food Café, Demonstration Co-sales Center for Tribal Products and Artists, and Souvenir, etc. at Tharu Crafts Village in Kheri (Duration: 03 Months)	25.00	25.00	15.00	Approved

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02	For the arrangement of painting-painting / lighting and furniture / fixture / almirah of office rooms in Bhagidari Bhawan, Gomti Nagar Lucknow <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	10.00	10.00	10.00	Approved
03	For the arrangement of Video conferencing system/ big LED display panel/ colour projector/ computers with color printer/ smart teaching digital board/ wi-fi internet system, CCTV system, camera, video and audio recorder <i>Duration: 02 Months)</i>	50.00	50.00	10.00	VC system approved 1. Committee approved in principle the proposal of VC system. 2. A Committee comprising of 3 TRI directors to decide on suitable VC studio for uniformity of VC system amongst States as different States have proposed different rates for VC studio. 3. TRI to submit item wise proposal before committee
4	Economic & educational level study of Sahariya tribe in Lalitpur district <i>(Duration: 06 Months)</i>	05.00	05.00	5.00	Approved



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5	Study of economic & education level of Gond, Kharwar, Parahiya, Baiga, Panika, Agariya, Pathari,Chero and Bhuiya tribes in Sonbhadra district <i>(Duration: 12 Months)</i>	10.00	10.00	5.00	Approved
6	Publication of success stories tribal community <i>(Duration: 03 Months)</i>	02.00	02.00	1.00	Approved
7	Compilation of traditional costumes, jewellery and traditional dishes etc. of the tribes of the state and publishing them through photographs in the form of a colorful booklet <i>(Duration: 03 Months)</i>	05.00	05.00	5.00	Approved
08	Organizing craft exhibition for promotion of tribal art& craft <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	10.00	10.00	5.00	Approved
07	Organizing Adi Festival <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	25.00	-	-	Project details to be shared.



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03	Tour program to familiarize the tribal people with the tribal traditions and tribal significance and places of national importance in other states. <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	10.00	10.00	10.00	Approved
04	Organizing seminar for promotion of Forest Rights Act, Atrocities Act and Land Acquisition Act <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	07.00	07.00	2.00	TRI advised to organize Virtual seminar in view of corona pandemic. TRI May share dates and topic with NTRI for participation of all TRIs, COEs and Research fellows.
05	Training programs for capacity building of tribal ,artisans, artists, painters, people who paint / do art work on metal and cloth and kits and tool distribution <i>Duration: 03 Months)</i>	28.00	28.00	15.00	Approved The calender for training to be shared with NTRI. Training will be done in coordination with NTRI. Data of Master Trainers and trainees to be uploaded on MoTA TRI Portal. Course material to be uploaded on knowledge Repository.

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	Grand Total	187.00	137.00	83.00	

3.3 Committed Liabilities being carried forward (i.e. for year 2021-22 & beyond): Nil

3.4. Total amount approved for release during 2020-21:

		(₹ in Lakh)
A	Committed Liabilities 2019-20	nil
B	New proposals approved by APEX Committee	137.00
C	(-) Surrendered amount from 2019-20 released	Nil
D	Total amount approved	137.00
E	Total amount approved for release for FY 2020-21 for the projects Sanctioned as 1 st Installment [Rs 83.00 +Nil]	83.00

4. Funds to be released to the State Govt. subject to furnishing of Utilization Certificate and Physical Progress Report as per rules. Review is expected to be made for the State to apprise on actual progress of projects sanctioned up to 2020-21 and TRI may submit any fresh proposals for consideration by APEX Committee.

4.1. The funds for the Infrastructure would be considered based on availability of funds after proposals of all TRIs are approved.

4.2. Since only 3 months are left for the financial year, for the project of long duration which cannot be completed during the year, committee approved funds to be released in 2 Instalments. The 2nd instalment to be released after the project approved by committee is started and progress is uploaded on the portal.

4.3. The data of all persons trained during trainings will be shared on National Portal as per format designed by MoTA.

4.4. In view of Corona, some of the proposed physically activities have been approved in principle, however funds will be sanctioned depending upon the prevailing situation.

4.5. Activities which have been proved in principle but fund has not been approved should be initiated only after specific fund is allocated against the proposal.

5. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the participants.