

F.No.23011/48/2015-FRA
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

216-F, D Wing,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi - 110001
Date: 16th June, 2017

To,

Secretary In-charge of Tribal Affairs
(State Government of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal)

Subject: Issues related to distribution of title deeds in LWE affected districts under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 – regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Ministry of Home Affairs' letter No. 18015/13/2017-LWE-IV dated 15.03.2017 received from LWE Division of Ministry of Home Affairs which is addressed to Principal Secretaries (Home) of all LWE affected States. The said letter encloses the Minutes of the Video Conference (VC) held under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (LWE) on 14.02.2017 with the representatives of the LWE affected States.

2. In view of the above mentioned VC, the following issues/suggestions have emerged related to distribution of title deeds in LWE affected districts:-

- (i) Suo-moto review of rejected claims may be taken up in all LWE affected districts.
- (ii) Reasons of rejected claims may be communicated to the beneficiaries at the earliest.
- (iii) Pending title-deed claims may be disposed at the earliest.
- (iv) Meeting of District Level Committee (DLC), Sub-Divisional Committee (SDLC) and Gram Sabha must be conducted on a regular basis.
- (v) Special focus on community forest rights (Form B) and Community Forest Resource Rights (Form C) and early disposal of the same.
- (vi) Regular feedback from the beneficiaries of LWE affected districts may be obtained and shared with this Ministry.

Encl.

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3. You are requested to take necessary action on the above points urgently under intimation to this Ministry and send action taken reports to this Ministry.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,



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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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