

ADI DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

POLICY NOTE 2015 – 2016

INTRODUCTION:

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, primarily concerns with the overall policy formulation, planning and coordination of welfare programmes for the development of Adi Dravidar and Tribal population of Tamilnadu. The census 2011 figures indicate that out of the total population of 721.47 lakh of Tamilnadu, about 144.38 lakh (20.01%) belongs to Adi Dravidar and 7.95 lakh (1.10%) constitute Tribal population. The aim of this department is to carryout the noble and laudable policies of the Government for the accelerated growth of the Adi Dravidar and Tribal people on par with the general population of the State and sustains their development.

To ensure socio-economic, educational and human development as well as the security and social dignity of the Adi Dravidar / Tribals on par with the

general category and realize the goal of inclusive growth, the Budgetary allocation for this Department is Rs.2106.29 crore for the year 2015-16.

I. ADI DRAVIDAR WELFARE

Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP)

The Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP) is implemented in Tamilnadu from 1980-81. The basic objective is to earmark a portion of the State Annual Plan Outlay in proportion to the population of the Scheduled Castes in the State in order to bring about marked Socio-Economic and Educational development of the Scheduled Castes.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has been designated as the Nodal Department and the Secretary to Government of this Department is the Nodal Officer for the purpose of formulation and implementation of Scheduled Castes Sub Plan at State level. The Director of Adi Dravidar Welfare has been nominated as the Monitoring Officer to monitor and review the schemes under Scheduled Castes Sub Plan at district level.

The Nodal Officer appointed by the sectoral departments are coordinating with the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department for effective implementation of the schemes for Adi Dravidars. There are 18 sectoral departments comprising of 32 Heads of Departments, who are implementing the schemes under SCSP for the development and welfare of the Scheduled Castes.

The State Government for the year 2015-16 has allocated Rs.11,274 crore under the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan out of the State's Total Annual Plan Outlay of Rs.55,100 crore which is 20.46% of Annual Plan Outlay and it is more than the percentage of Scheduled Caste population of the State.

EDUCATION

The literacy rate of Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes in Tamilnadu as per 2011 census is as follows:

(in percentage)

Category	Male	Female	Total
General	86.77	73.44	80.09
Scheduled Castes	80.94	65.64	73.26
Scheduled Tribes	61.81	46.80	54.34

The above table reveals that 26.74% of the Scheduled Castes and 45.66% of Scheduled Tribes are still illiterate.

The number of schools functioning under the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department and students are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Classification of Schools	No. of Schools	No. of Students
1.	Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools	1,125	1,23,147
2.	Government Tribal Residential Schools (GTR)	306	30,933
TOTAL		1,431	1,54,080

For the financial year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.2106.29 crore has been provided in the BE of which Rs.1778.34 crore (84.42%) have been allocated for education and related schemes.

1. Educational Scholarship Schemes

(a) Post-Matric Scholarship (beyond X Standard)

Under the Government of India's Post-Matric scholarship scheme, scholarship is given to the Adi Dravidar / Tribal students who continue their studies beyond X standard and whose parent / guardians' annual income does not exceed Rs.2.50 lakh per annum. An assistance of Rs.230/- to Rs.550/- per month is given as maintenance allowance for day scholars and an assistance of Rs.380/- to Rs.1200/- per month is given as maintenance allowance for hostellers depending upon the class in which they study. Besides this, all the compulsory & non refundable fees payable by the students studying in Government / Government aided institutions are sanctioned as Scholarship.

SC/ST students studying in self financing colleges are also eligible to get scholarship under this scheme. They are exempted from paying compulsory and non-refundable fees which are directly compensated by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department. Maintenance allowance depending upon the class they study is also paid to the students.

The students studying in Industrial Training Institutes are also offered Post-Matric scholarship irrespective of their minimum educational qualification.

For the financial year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.62,330 lakh has been allocated under the Government of India's Post Matric Scholarship for SCs and Rs.1023.08 lakh for STs respectively

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	745013	36069.31
2.	2012-13	666882	37776.93
3.	2013-14	681855	89757.73
4.	2014-15	805450	54821.48
	Total	2899200	218425.45

(b) State Special Post – Matric Scholarship (beyond X Standard)

The State Government is implementing Post-Matric Special Scholarship Scheme to the students converted to Christianity who are not eligible for availing scholarship under the Government of

India's Post Matric Scholarship Scheme and to pursue higher studies beyond 10th standard and whose parent / guardians' annual income does not exceed Rs.2 lakh are given Rs.100/- to Rs.175/- per month towards maintenance allowance for day scholars and Rs.175/- to Rs.350/- per month for the hostellers as maintenance allowance depending upon the course in which they study.

All compulsory & non refundable fees, payable by the students studying in Government / Government aided institutions are also paid as Scholarship along with maintenance allowance.

The students converted to Christianity who are eligible for Scholarship studying in Self Finance Institutions are exempted from paying compulsory and non-refundable fees which are directly compensated by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department. Maintenance Allowance depending upon the class they study are paid as Scholarship to the students.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.3590.37 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	75455	934.80
2.	2012-13	41902	1301.42
3.	2013-14	25484	2507.45
4.	2014-15	41039	2804.77
	Total	183880	7548.44

(c) Pre-Matric Scholarship to the children of those engaged in cleaning and health hazard prone occupations.

This Scholarship / Adhoc grant is given to those children, of whose parents are engaged in unclean occupations as Scavengers, Tanners, Flayers, Waste Pickers irrespective of their religion, caste and income.

(i) Scholarship

- 1st Standard to 10th Standard – Rs.110/- per month (Day Scholars)
- 3rd Standard to 10th Standard – Rs. 700/- per month (Hostellers)

(ii) Adhoc grant

- Rs.750/- per annum (Day Scholars)
- Rs.1000/- per annum (Hostellers)

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.945 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	72268	1286.86
2.	2012-13	39314	739.38
3.	2013-14	40536	765.49
4.	2014-15	41284	742.46
	Total	193402	3534.19

(d) Pre-Matric Scholarship for IX & X Students of SC/ST

The Government of India's Pre Matric Scholarship is sanctioned to the students of SC/ST studying in IX & X Standard in recognized institutions whose parent / guardians' annual income limit is below Rs.2 lakh. Students are paid Scholarship as follows.

Day Scholars	Rs.	Hostellers	Rs.
Maintenance Allowance	150x10months = 1500	Maintenance Allowance	350x10 months = 3500
Adhoc grant	= 750	Adhoc grant	= 1000
	<u>= 2250</u>		<u>= 4500</u>

For the year 2015-16 allocation is as follows:

SC - Rs.4500 Lakh

ST - Rs.26 Lakh

Details of Scholarship given

Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
2013-14	171346	4414.36
2014-15	250253	6110.46

(e) Higher Educational Special Scholarship (HESS)

Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes / converted to Christianity students, who are staying in the hostels attached to the educational institutions and pursuing Degree course / Polytechnic are given a grant of Rs.7,500/- per annum and for Post Graduate / Professional course are given Rs.8,000/- per annum under this scheme. For availing scholarship under this scheme parent / guardians' annual income should not exceed Rs. 2 lakh.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.2026.47 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	39353	1990.88
2.	2012-13	26837	1974.72
3.	2013-14	24251	2015.44
4.	2014-15	24241	1967.99
	Total	114682	7949.03

(f) Overseas Scholarship

Students who aspire to pursue higher studies abroad in the field of Engineering, Technology and other Science disciplines are provided with this Scholarship. To avail this scholarship the parent / guardians' income limit should not exceed Rs.3 lakh per annum.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.30 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	1	21.54
2.	2012-13	1	22.35
3.	2013-14	2	46.84
4.	2014-15	1	23.88
	Total	5	114.61

(g) Financial assistance to Ph.D.Students

SC/ST students who pursue full time Ph.D. in the recognized Universities and whose parent/guardians' annual income should not exceed Rs.2 lakh, are sanctioned financial assistance of Rs.50,000/- per year.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.350 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Assistance given

Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
2013-14	560	280.00
2014-15	812	406.00

2. Educational Fee Concessions

(a) Tuition Fee Concession

The students belonging to the Adi Dravidar, Tribe and converted to Christianity who are studying in Government / Government aided institutions are exempted from paying the Tuition fees. There is no income limit to avail concession under this scheme.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.1568.25 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	12432	704.70
2.	2012-13	12888	1453.27
3.	2013-14	11379	787.68
4.	2014-15	10997	797.68
	Total	47696	3743.33

(b) Special Fee and Examination Fee concessions to the Under Graduate students.

The Students belonging to the Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who pursue Under Graduate courses in Government / Government aided Arts & Science Colleges and whose parent / guardians' annual income exceeding the income limit as prescribed by the Government of India / State Government are exempted from payment of Special Fees and Examination Fees.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.40 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(c) Special Fees and Examination Fee Concessions to the Post Graduate Girl students.

The Girl students, who pursue Post Graduate courses in Government / Government aided Arts & Science Colleges and whose parent / guardians' annual income exceeds the limit as prescribed by the Government of India/State Government for the Post Matric Scholarship are exempted from the payment of Special Fees and Examination fees.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.25 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

(d) Special Fee Concession from 6th to 10th Standard

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribe and converted to Christianity who are studying in standard 6th to 10th are exempted from payment of Special fees. The expenditure incurred by the educational institutions concerned are reimbursed by this Department.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.163.26 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Scholarship given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	110035	120.82
2.	2012-13	92652	130.38
3.	2013-14	93826	133.66
4.	2014-15	96259	152.79
	Total	392772	537.65

(e) Concessions to Public Examination Fees / Application Fees/ Registration Fees.

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who are studying in X and XII standards are exempted from the payment of public examination fees and for the students who study other than Tamil medium the fee is reimbursed to the Directorate of the Government Examinations by the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department. Further, the students who are studying Under Graduate, Post Graduate and Professional courses in the Government / Government aided Colleges are exempted from payment of Application Fees / Registration Fees.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.290.14 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

3. Special Incentive Scheme for Girl Students

Education helps to bring overall development to the Society. The Girls incentive scheme is being implemented in order to ensure 100% enrollment to the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Girls in the elementary

education level. Adi Dravidar and Tribal girls studying in the standards from III to V are given an incentive of Rs.50/- per student for 10 months in a year. This scheme is extended in all the districts from the year 2011-12 to benefit the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Girls.

A sum of Rs.1700 lakh has been provided in the B.E. 2015-16.

To reduce the dropouts and to encourage the Adi Dravidar and Tribal girl students and to help them to continue their studies in VI standard, they are given Rs.100/- per month as an incentive for 10 months in a year. This scheme is being implemented in all the districts. From 2013-2014 academic year, it has been extended to the Girl students who are studying in VII & VIII Standard and they are given Rs.150/- per month as incentive for 10 months in a year.

A sum of Rs.3811 lakh has been provided in the year 2015-16 for the implementation of the above scheme for the standards from VI to VIII.

Details of Incentives given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	336379	2125.86
2.	2012-13	319404	2000.12
3.	2013-14	483473	4275.14
4.	2014-15	492918	4482.75
	Total	1632174	12883.87

4. Awards – Public Examination

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who study Tamil as one of the subjects and who secure highest marks in 10th and 12th standard Public Examinations are awarded prize money.

(i) State Level Awards

The Students who secure the highest marks in Standard X and XII Public Examinations at the State Level are given cash awards as detailed as follows:-

Sl. No.	Class	Details	Position	Rs.
1.	X Std.	One Girl and One Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity who secure 1 st three positions (2X3X3 = 18 students)	First	25,000
			Second	20,000
			Third	15,000
2.	X Std. (5 Subjects)	One Girl or One Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity who secure 1 st mark (1X5X3 = 15 students)	Subject First	1000
3.	XII Std.	One Girl and one Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity who secure 1 st three positions (2X3X3 = 18 students)	First	50,000
			Second	30,000
			Third	20,000
4.	XII Std. (25 Subjects)	One Girl or one Boy from each category of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity who secure 1 st mark (1X25X3 = 75 students)	Subject First	2,000

Every year, 126 students are benefitted under this scheme.

For the year 2015-2016, a sum of Rs.21.16 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	98	12.54
2.	2012-13	109	13.35
3.	2013-14	135	14.48
4.	2014-15	188	20.70
	Total	530	61.07

(ii) District Toppers Award

The Students who secure the highest marks in standard X and XII Public Examinations at the District Level are given cash awards as follows:-

From the academic year 2013-14 onwards the District toppers award amount has been enhanced as follows:

Std	Details	Amount per student in Rs.	No.of beneficiaries	Total amount (Rs. in lakh)
X	First Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community Rs 3000 x 2 = Rs.6000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.6000 =Rs. 192000	3000	64	1.92
	Second Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community. Rs 2000 x 2 = Rs.4000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.4000 =Rs. 128000	2000	64	1.28
	Third Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community Rs 1000 x 2 = Rs.2000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.2000 =Rs. 64000	1000	64	0.64
	Total		192	3.84

Std	Details	Amount per student in Rs.	No.of beneficiaries	Total amount (Rs. in lakh)
XII	First Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community Rs.6000 x 2 = Rs.12000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.12000 =Rs. 384000	6000	64	3.84
	Second Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community Rs 4000 x 2 = Rs.8000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.8000 =Rs. 256000	4000	64	2.56
	Third Prize One boy and one girl among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity Community. Rs 2000 x 2 = Rs.4000 for 32 districts 32 x Rs.4000 =Rs. 128000	2000	64	1.28
	Total		192	7.68

For the financial year 2015-16 a sum of Rs.14.46 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	325	3.52
2.	2012-13	303	6.74
3.	2013-14	422	7.85
4.	2014-15	548	14.46
	Total	1598	32.57

(iii) State Level prizes to the Students of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare / Government Tribal Residential Schools

Cash awards are given from the academic year 2012-13 to the students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who are studying in ADW / GTR Schools and secure the 1st three levels (one boy and one girl at each level) in the X and XII Public Examinations at State level examination are as follows.

Level	Prize Money Awards	
	X Std	XII Std
I Prize	Rs.10,000	Rs.10,000
II Prize	Rs.7,000	Rs.7,000
III Prize	Rs.5,000	Rs.5,000

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2013-14	19	1.39
2.	2014-15	18	1.32
	Total	37	2.71

5. Awards to Higher Studies

Various prize money schemes are implemented to encourage the students belonging to Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity who secure highest marks in the Public Examinations to enable them to pursue their higher studies.

(i) Chief Minister's Merit Award

1000 boys and 1000 girls belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity communities in the order of marks obtained in XII std. Public Examination and who continue their higher studies are given a cash award of Rs.3000/- per annum for a period of 5 years.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.100 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	2673	44.74
2.	2012-13	2627	78.59
3.	2013-14	2864	85.92
4.	2014-15	2882	87.63
	Total	11046	296.88

(ii) Annal Gandhi Memorial Award

Under this scheme, cash award is given in memory of Mahatma Gandhiji to the Adi Dravidar Students (One Boy and one Girl) who secure first rank in each district in XII std. Public Examination. This

award amount has been enhanced to Rs.2,000/- for the first year and Rs.1,500/- for the subsequent five years from the academic year 2011-12.

Every year 64 new students are benefitted under this scheme.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.5.50 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	126	1.65
2.	2012-13	130	2.43
3.	2013-14	129	2.31
4.	2014-15	174	3.87
	Total	559	10.26

(iii) Merit-cum-Means Award

The Merit-cum-Means Award is given to one boy and one girl student belonging to the Tribal and converted to Christianity community in each district who secure first rank in XII std. Public Examination. This award amount has been enhanced to

Rs.2000/- per annum for the first year and Rs.1,500/- per annum is given for the subsequent five years from the academic year 2011-2012.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.3.22 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	98	1.29
2.	2012-13	106	1.60
3.	2013-14	85	1.07
4.	2014-15	147	3.21
	Total	436	7.17

(iv) Prize Money Award

The prize money is awarded to the students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who have passed with 60% and above marks in Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate and Professional Courses examinations.

The Prize money award has been enhanced from Rs.2000/- to Rs. 3000/- for Under Graduate, Rs.4000/- to Rs.5000/- for Post Graduate and

Rs.5000/- to Rs.6000/- for Professional Courses from the year 2011-12. The number of students have also been increased from 550 to 1000 students.

In the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.42 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	550	18.50
2.	2012-13	1000	42.00
3.	2013-14	1000	42.00
4.	2014-15	1000	42.00
	Total	3550	144.50

(v) Award to Bright Students

Under this scheme, two boys and two girls in each category i.e., Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who secure the highest marks in X std. examination in each district are awarded a sum of Rs.1600/- each for the first year and Rs.2000/- per annum for the subsequent five years if they continue their higher studies.

For the financial year 2015-16, Rs.9 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Awards given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	408	3.80
2.	2012-13	297	3.04
3.	2013-14	244	2.19
4.	2014-15	620	15.67
	Total	1569	24.70

6. Supply of Free Text Books and Note Books

Free text books and note books are supplied to the students studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools / Government Tribal Residential Schools / Government Schools as detailed below:-

Text Books	All students studying from 1 st to 12 th Std.
Note Books	All students studying from 1 st to 10 th std.

From the year 2012-2013 free Text books and Note books are supplied through the Department of School Education.

For the year 2015-16 a sum of Rs.500 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Text Books and Note Books given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	258286	698.92
2.	2012-13	176856	484.95
3.	2013-14	184751	284.63
4.	2014-15	154030	54.87
	Total	773923	1523.37

7. Supply of Free Uniforms

Four sets of free uniforms are supplied to students (including Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare School from 1st to 8th Std who are benefitted under Puratchi Thalaivar M.G.R. Noon Meal scheme through the Department of Social Welfare from 2014-15 onwards. Students studying in 9th to 12th in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools / Hostels and 9th to 12th students staying in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare hostels but studying in schools run by other

departments are supplied through Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department.

For the financial year 2015-16, Rs.2600 lakh has been allocated under this scheme

Details of Uniforms given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	258286	964.18
2.	2012-13	176856	1265.00
3.	2013-14	184751	2600.00
4.	2014-15	154030	1127.51
	Total	773923	5956.69

8. Supply of free Magazines to Schools and Hostels

To help Adi Dravidar and Tribal candidates to appear for UPSC and other Competitive Examinations, books and magazines on General Knowledge are supplied to all the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare High / Higher Secondary Schools and Hostels.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.10.80 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Magazines given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	1422	30.70
2.	2012-13	1505	54.22
3.	2013-14	1500	10.80
4.	2014-15	1500	10.80
	Total	5927	106.52

9. Supply of Free Bicycle Scheme

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity who are studying in 11th Standard in Government / Government Aided Higher Secondary Schools / Partly Aided Schools (Self Financing) are provided with free bicycles.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.3364.77 lakh for Girls and Rs.2828.38 lakh for boys has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Bicycle given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	172337	4947.50
2.	2012-13	169763	5276.18
3.	2013-14	179160	5824.34
4.	2014-15	170106	6053.83
	Total	691366	22101.85

10. Admission in Reputed Schools for Boys / Girls who score highest marks in X Std.

With a view to help the Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to appear for the All India Level Competitive Examinations and to improve their skills, 10 outstanding students (including 3 girl students) from each district, totalling 320 students who secure the highest marks in X std. in Government / Government Aided / Corporation / Municipal / Adi Dravidar Welfare and Government Tribal Residential Schools are selected and admitted in the XI std. in Reputed Private Schools. A sum of Rs.28,000/- per year per student is being spent by the Government. To benefit under this scheme, the income of parent / guardian should not exceed Rs.1 lakh per annum.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.837.65 lakh has been allocated under this scheme.

Details of Admission in Reputed Private Schools

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	274	153.44
2.	2012-13	269	150.64
3.	2013-14	278	127.78
4.	2014-15	284	128.57
	Total	1105	560.43

11. Admission of Students belonging to Adi Dravidar, Tribal and Converted to Christianity in VI Std in Reputed Residential Schools.

The bright students selected from Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity communities studying in 5th Standard in Government / Corporation / Municipal / Government Aided / Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools and Government Tribal Residential Schools are admitted in the Reputed Residential Schools in 6th standard and the entire expenditure of these students are borne by the Government till 12th Standard. Under this scheme, one girl or one boy who secures the

highest mark in the special examination conducted in each Block is admitted in Reputed Residential Schools.

Details of Admission in Reputed Residential Schools

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	1428	529.92
2.	2012-13	1758	657.65
3.	2013-14	1986	895.71
4.	2014-15	1417	690.38
	Total	6589	2773.66

12. Hostels

Hostel facilities are provided to the students who are studying in Schools, Colleges and I.T.I.s to encourage the rural Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to continue their education without any dropout.

Number of the Hostels functioning under the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department and the strength of the students admitted are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Classification of Hostels	No. of Hostels	No. of Students
1	Adi Dravidar welfare Hostels	1,314	98,039
2	Tribal Hostels	42	2,782
3	GTR Schools	306	21,973
TOTAL		1,662	1,22,794

Facilities provided to the students staying in Hostels:-

- i) Two Tier cots are provided to College Hostels.
- ii) Incinerators (Napkin Burners) are provided to 582 Girls Hostels.
- iii) Water purifiers, wet grinders, electronic weighing machines and colour televisions are provided to all Hostels.
- iv) Washing Machines are provided to 76 Adi Dravidar Welfare girls Hostels.
- v) Steam Boilers for cooking hygienic food are provided to 280 Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels.
- vi) Library facilities are made available in all Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels.

- vii) Mats are supplied once in a year and Bed Sheets are supplied once in two years to the Hostellers.
- viii) Rs.50/- per student per month for School and ITI Hostels and Rs.75/- per student per month for College and Polytechnic College is given for purchase of Soap and Oil etc as Miscellaneous Charges. Money has been credited in the Students Bank A/c.
- ix) Food charges of Rs.755/-per month for school students and Rs.875/- per month for College Students are provided.

Action is being pursued to provide the following:

- (a) Pillow with covers for all ADW / TW hostels and GTR School Students.
- (b) Rain coats and Woolen Sweaters for students staying in the Tribal Welfare hostels & GTR Schools situated in hilly areas.
- (c) First aid boxes for 1346 Adi Dravidar / Tribal hostels and 100 GTR Schools.
- (d) Solar Study Lights to GTR High and Higher Secondary School Students.

13. Hostels and Schools run by Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)

(i) Hostels

The Government is providing food charges to the 36 Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) which

benefits 4977 Adi Dravidar students and 777 Tribal students.

(ii) Schools

The Government is extending financial assistance to School run by the Society for Rural Development (SFRD) at Tiruvannamalai District for Tribal students and another School by the Muthukaruppan Memorial Trust at Thoothukudi district for Adi Dravidar students.

14. Free House Site Pattas to Adi Dravidar / Tribal

Under this scheme, free house site pattas are issued to the houseless Adi Dravidar and Tribal families. The land for this purpose is acquired through private negotiation or under the Tamilnadu Acquisition of Land for Harijan Welfare Scheme Act 1978 (Tamilnadu Act 31/1978) to distribute free house site pattas to the eligible persons. The annual income of the beneficiary under this scheme should not exceed Rs.40,000/- for rural areas and Rs.60,000/- for urban areas.

For the financial year 2015-16 a sum of Rs.512.93 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of House site pattas issued

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	4284	301.92
2.	2012-13	1903	298.51
3.	2013-14	912	252.51
4.	2014-15	1693	506.52
	Total	8792	1359.46

15. Burial Grounds and Pathways

The Government is allocating funds for providing burial grounds and pathways to burial grounds in Adi Dravidar habitations. Funds are provided for acquiring and purchasing land for this purpose. Panchayats are also providing the required basic amenities to the Adi Dravidar habitations from their own funds. For this purpose, 15% of the cost for drinking water facility and 10% cost for link roads are borne by the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department.

For the financial year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.75.84 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Basic amenities provided

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	59	28.63
2.	2012-13	80	62.05
3.	2013-14	78	60.26
4.	2014-15	12	25.63
	Total	229	176.57

16. Financial Assistance for Funeral Rites

Financial assistance to the tune of Rs.2,500/- is given to the Adi Dravidar, Tribal and converted to Christianity families to meet the expenditure towards funeral rites at the time of death of a member of the family.

For the financial year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.500 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Assistance given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical (approx)	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	20000	500.00
2.	2012-13	20000	500.00
3.	2013-14	20000	500.00
4.	2014-15	20000	500.00
	Total	80000	2000.00

17. Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)

The Government of India is providing 100% grant under this scheme as an additive to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan to the State to fill the critical gaps and vital missing inputs in family and income generating schemes with supporting infrastructure development so as to make the schemes effective. The primary objective of this scheme is to provide additional support to Below Poverty Line Adi Dravidar families to enhance their productivity and income. Under this scheme, 80% of the funds are utilised for Economic Development activities of Adi Dravidars like Land Purchase Scheme, Financial Assistance to Individuals, Self Employment Programme for Youth (SEPY), Revolving Fund to Self Help Groups, Economic Assistance to Self Help Groups, Training to SHG members, Collectors' Discretionary Fund, Assistance to candidates who passed Civil Services Preliminary Examination, TNPSC Group-I Preliminary Examination and financial assistance to Law Graduates & Chartered Accountants to set up their profession.

10% of funds are utilized for imparting Skill Development Training for unemployed Adi Dravidar Youth.

Remaining 10% of the amount is released to the Adi Dravidar Welfare Department for providing infrastructure facilities to Adi Dravidar habitations / Schools and hostels where 50% or more Adi Dravidars are living.

During the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.130 crore has been allocated for this scheme.

Achievements

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	66094	10613.30
2.	2012-13	43295	9676.62
3.	2013-14	19789	9057.45
4.	2014-15	26484	9560.92
	Total	155662	38908.29

18. Community Certificates

- i. The Tahsildar is empowered to issue community certificates for the Scheduled Castes and the Revenue Divisional Officer /Sub-Collector/

Personal Assistant (General) to the Collector, Chennai are authorized to issue community certificates for Scheduled Tribes.

- ii. District Level Vigilance Committees have been formed to verify the genuineness of the Scheduled Caste community certificates issued by the Tahsildars and State Level Scrutiny Committee has been formed to verify the Scheduled Tribe community certificates issued by the Revenue Divisional Officer as detailed below :-

State Level Scrutiny Committee (SLSC)

1	Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department	Chairman	To scrutinize the genuineness of the Community Certificates issued as Scheduled Tribes and to pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie with Hon'ble High Court of Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India.
2	Commissioner / Director, Tribal Welfare	Member – Secretary	
3	An Anthropologist	Member	

District Level Vigilance Committee (DLVC)

1	District Collector	Chairman	To scrutinize the genuineness of the Community Certificates issued as Scheduled Caste and to pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie with the Hon'ble High Court of Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India.
2	District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officer	Member – Secretary	
3	An Anthropologist	Member	

Vigilance Cells

Vigilance Cells are constituted at four regions to enquire the community status of the persons belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and to submit its report to the competent committee as below:-

- i. **Chennai Region:** Functioning with Chennai as Headquarters including Chennai, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Vellore, Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram and Cuddalore.
- ii. **Salem Region:** Functioning with Salem as Headquarters including Salem, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Namakkal, Erode, Coimbatore and Tiruppur.

- iii. **Tiruchirappalli Region:** Functioning with Tiruchirappalli as Headquarters including Tiruchirappalli, Karur, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Thanjavur, Nagapattinam, Tiruvarur, Dindigul and The Nilgiris .
- iv. **Madurai Region:** Functioning with Madurai as Headquarters including Madurai, Theni, Sivagangai, Virudhunagar, Pudukottai, Ramanathapuram, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli and Kanniyakumari.

Each vigilance cell consists of the following Police Officials.

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Number of Posts
1.	Senior Deputy Superintendent of Police	1
2.	Inspector of Police/Sub Inspector of Police	1
3.	Police Constable	1

In doubtful cases, the District Level Vigilance Committee (DLVC) / State Level Scrutiny Committee shall refer the cases to the respective Vigilance Cell for verification of the community status of the persons.

19. Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

a) Removal of Untouchability

Due to the initiation of the Government all steps are being taken to abolish untouchability and to prevent atrocities against Adi Dravidar / Tribes. For this purpose, the Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955, the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Rules 1995 have been enacted by the Government of India and are being implemented effectively in the State.

The ordinance to amend the SCs/STs (PoA) Act 1989 was promulgated by the President of India on 04.03.2014 which is called as the SCs/STs (PoA) Amendment ordinance, 2014. It has come into force from the date of promulgation i.e., on 04.03.2014. The cases under the SCs/STs (PoA) Act 1989 are now registered as per the new ordinance.

The Social Justice and Human Rights wing with its headquarters at Chennai is functioning for this purpose, under the control of the Additional Director General of Police.

The functions of Social Justice & Human Rights wings are (i) to supervise registration, investigation and filing of cases under these two acts and (ii) to act as a Protection Cell for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

Special Courts:

Special Courts have been formed for speedy disposal of cases registered under SCs/STs (PoA) Act and PCR Act.

The Government has set up 6 Special Courts which are functioning at Thanjavur, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Villupuram (including Cuddalore) and Sivaganagai (including Ramanathapuram) Districts to try cases registered under these Acts. In all other districts, the existing Sessions Courts have been empowered to try these cases. Besides this, 37 Mobile Police Squads each headed by an Inspector of Police and 11 Supervisory squads each headed by a Deputy

Superintendent of Police with Head Quarters at Chennai, Kancheepuram, Villupuram, Vellore, Salem, Coimbatore, Trichy, Thanjavur, Madurai, Ramanathapuram and Tirunelveli are functioning.

Under Rule 17(1), SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Rules 1995, the State Government has constituted District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee in each district headed by the District Collector concerned with five officials / non-officials as members. The District Collectors are also empowered to nominate a person as a member who has the right aptitude and understanding of the problems of SC/ST. The District Level Committee shall meet atleast once in three months to review the implementation of the provisions of these Acts and also to monitor the relief and rehabilitation facilities to be provided to the victims and to review the stage of the cases registered under these Acts at the district level. Further, a State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee is also functioning under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister to review and monitor the implementation of these Acts.

Apart from the two committees, Sub Division Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee has been constituted in each Sub-Division (Revenue Divisional Office) of the Districts by the Government of Tamilnadu in G.O. (Ms.) No.6, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Dated 20.01.2015 as per the Gazette notification Dated 08.11.2013 and as per the amendment made to the Rule 17 of the SCs and STs (PoA) Act 1989. This committee is headed by the Sub Divisional Magistrate with 5 officials and 4 non-officials as members. The Sub-Division Vigilance and Monitoring Committee shall meet atleast once in 3 months to review the implementation of provisions of the Act and various reports received by the Sub-Division Administration.

For the year 2015-16, Rs.450 lakh has been provided under this scheme.

Details of Assistance given

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	1278	217.28
2.	2012-13	933	1385.79
3.	2013-14	1530	526.71
4.	2014-15	2056	694.26
	Total	5797	2824.04

b) Campaign for the removal of Untouchability

The public is made aware of the evils of the untouchability. To create awareness among the public, short films are screened in the villages.

“Manitha Neya Vara Vizha” is celebrated in all the districts from 26th to 30th January every year for creating awareness among the people. A sum of Rs.15000/- at district level and a sum of Rs.65000/- at state level is being provided under this scheme every year. This amount has been enhanced to Rs.50,000/- at district level and Rs.1,00,000 at state level.

Publicity is given through Villupattu Artists on the evils of untouchability.

Besides this, Community feasts are also arranged every year on 26th January, 15th August, 2nd October and on any other important local holiday in the districts. Voluntary organisations are involved in arranging the Samabandhi Virundhu / Community feasts.

Further, two publicity wings, one at Tiruchirappalli and another one at Chennai are functioning to campaign for the removal of untouchability.

For the financial year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.73.09 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Amount spent

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Amount spent (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	57.08
2.	2012-13	78.14
3.	2013-14	57.99
4.	2014-15	20.41
Total		213.62

(c) Select Village Scheme

Under the Select Village Scheme, one village in each district (except Chennai) is selected for the

assistance where untouchability is not practiced in any form and the people live in harmony. A sum of Rs.10 lakh is given to the selected village.

For the year 2015-16, a sum of Rs.310 lakh has been allocated for this scheme.

Details of Amount spent

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	31	62.00
2.	2012-13	30	300.00
3.	2013-14	30	300.00
4.	2014-15	31	310.00
Total		122	972.00

20. Adi Dravidar and Tribal Activities Foundation

To support avenues for creativeness of expressions in the field of Art, Culture and Literature and also to support research activities of Adi Dravidar and Tribal scholars, a Corpus Fund of Rs.50.00 lakh was sanctioned and kept in fixed deposit. Interest accrued is utilised for the purpose of giving awards to 10 Writers who belong to Adi Dravidar / Tribal / converted to Christianity and one non-Adi Dravidar

Writer. Totally 11 Writers are benefiting every year for the best literary works and an award of Rs.40,000 is given by the Government for publishing their works.

21. Abolition of Bonded Labour

The practice of bonded labour is banned under Articles 21 & 23 of the Constitution of India and therefore the Government of India has enacted the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976.

Bonded Labour System means the system of forced or partly forced labour either without wages or for nominal wages. Under this system, the labourers are denied of their freedom of movement from one employer to another or other means of livelihood and thus they are deprived of their right to move freely throughout the territory of India.

In order to stop the practice of the bonded labour, the Government constituted District Level Committees headed by the District Collectors to identify and to rehabilitate the freed labourers.

Under this Act, the Revenue Divisional Officers / Sub-Collectors are designated as the Bonded Labour Releasing and Rehabilitation Officers. To ensure

effective implementation of this Act, the District Collectors are also made responsible for the release and rehabilitation programmes. The released Bonded Labourers are given an immediate cash relief of Rs.1000/- after release, a sum of Rs.19,000/- is also given either in cash or kind for income generation activities.

A State Level Monitoring Committee headed by the Chief Secretary has been constituted to monitor the progress made by the District Level Committees in identification, release and rehabilitation of the freed bonded labourers vide G.O. Ms. No. 79, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Dated 17.09.2002.

For the year, 2015-16, a sum of Rs.125 lakh has been provided under this scheme.

Details of Bonded labours released

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical	Financial (Rs. in lakh)
1.	2011-12	507	27.11
2.	2012-13	398	42.54
3.	2013-14	965	66.81
4.	2014-15	610	73.39
	Total	2480	209.85

II. TRIBAL WELFARE

Introduction

A separate Directorate was carved out of Adi Dravidar and Tribal welfare Department on 01.04.2000 to look after the welfare of Tribes. The population of Tribes is more than 10,000 in 18 Districts viz., Salem, Thiruvannamalai, Villupuram, Vellore, Dharmapuri, Namakkal, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, The Nilgiris, Coimbatore, Krishnagiri, Erode, Tiruchirappalli, Cuddalore, Madurai, Ariyalur, Tirunelveli and Chennai.

Poor living conditions, lack of basic amenities in hilly terrains, nutritional deficiencies, high drop-out rate in Schools, low Literacy rate and migration due to degradation of forest resources are the areas focused by the Government.

Integrated Tribal Development Programme (ITDP) Areas:

Integrated Tribal Development Programme (ITDP) is implemented in 10 I.T.D.P. areas covering 7 Districts Viz., Salem (Yercaud, Pachamalai, Aranuthumalai and Kalrayan Hills), Namakkal, (Kolli Hills), Villupuram (Kalrayan Hills), Tiruvannamalai

(Jawadhu Hills), Tiruchirappalli (Pachamalai Hills), Dharmapuri (Sittheri Hills) and Vellore (Jawadhu and Yelagiri hills) where Tribal population is 50% or more than the total population.

Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTG):

Based on the population, the Tribal may be divided into two groups. Tribals who are concentrated in a particular area and the Dispersed Tribes who are scattered throughout the State. Out of the 36 Tribal communities in Tamilnadu, 6 Tribal Communities i.e. Toda, Kota, Kurumbas, Irular, Paniyan and Kattunayakan population is neither decreased nor increased and remain static. Hence they are known as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs).

1. Grants-in-aid

The Government of India is allocating funds for the following three schemes:-

- (i) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan
- (ii) Article-275(1) of the Constitution of India and

(iii) Scheme for Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups.

(i) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP)

Funds are utilized mainly for income generating programmes such as providing Milch animals and Sheep Units. Financial assistance is also given to start any viable income generating activities for which 60% of the funds are utilized. Capital assets such as infrastructure for petty shops, processing units and solar electrification in the Tribal areas are created with the 30% of the fund. In order to enhance the employability of Tribals, the remaining 10% of the funds are being utilized since 2013-14 onwards.

Under this scheme 5190 persons are benefitted upto 2013-14 at an expenditure of Rs.1453.30 lakh.

(ii) Article 275 (1) of Constitution of India

Provision of Foot Over Bridges, Link Roads, Electrification, Check Dams and Hatchery Units are the infrastructure facilities created in Tribal areas from the Grant-in-aid released by Government of India under

Article 275(1) of Consitution of India. Two Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) one at Abinavam (Salem District) and other at Vellimalai (Villupuram District) are maintained with these funds. This fund is also being utilized for the implementation of the Forest Dwellers Act, 2006.

Under this scheme 1333 persons are benefitted upto 2013-14 at an expenditure of Rs.1262.97 lakh.

(iii) Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs)

The Government of India is sanctioning grant-in-aid every year for the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. The Governement of India is releasing a sum of Rs.20 crore every year from 2013-2014 onwards under this scheme.

Construction of traditional houses, distribution of milch animals, provision of drinking water facilities and street lights are the benefits extended to the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups under this scheme.

Under this scheme 8066 persons are benefitted upto 2013-14 at an expenditure of Rs.4475.94 lakh.

(iv) Implementation of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006

“The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 was enacted by Government of India, which came into existence on 29.12.2006. Tribals who have been residing in the forests prior to 13.12.2005 and the non tribals who have been residing in the forests for 3 generations i.e. for 75 years as on 13.12.2005 would be given Title Rights.

Implementation of this Act is monitored by the following Committees:

- i) State Level Monitoring Committee headed by the Chief Secretary.
- ii) District Level Committee headed by the District Collector.
- iii) Sub-Divisional Level Committee – headed by the Revenue Divisional Officer.

29,887 claims have been received till date out of which 5,869 claims have been approved and ready for

distribution of title deeds to the claimants. The issue will be decided based on the outcome of the interim stay on the Writ Petition No.4533/2008. As ordered by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the writ petitions pending in High Court of Madras have been transferred to Supreme Court of India, New Delhi and interlocutory petition is being filed in consultation with the Advocate on Record, Supreme Court of India for claiming individual rights.

2. Tribal Sub-plan (TSP)

The Fifth Five Year Plan has evolved the new strategy of “Tribal Sub-Plan “in the year 1976-77 which has paved way for flow of funds from the State Annual Plan Outlay to TSP for the socio-economic and educational development of the Scheduled Tribes in proportion to their population (1.10%) in the State.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department is the Nodal Department and the Secretary to Government, AD & TW Department is the Nodal Officer for formulation and administration of TSP at State Level. At the district level, the monitoring and review of the performance of the TSP is entrusted to

the Director of Tribal Welfare in his capacity as the Monitoring Officer

The TSP includes various schemes of 18 Sectoral Departments comprising of 33 Heads of Departments which implements them for the Welfare and Development of Tribal population. The Department ensures effective administration of schemes included under TSP closely coordinating with the nodal officers who have been nominated for this purpose exclusively in each department.

The State Government for the year 2015-2016 has allocated a sum of Rs.658 Crore (1.19%) under TSP out of the State's Total Annual Plan Outlay (APO) of Rs.55,100 Crore and it is over and above the percentage of ST population (1.10%) in Tamilnadu.

3. Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has ordered and allocated a sum of Rs.50 Crore for a Comprehensive Tribal Development Programme for the year

2015-2016. Through this programme Land development activities, improvement of Katcha houses, road works, improvement of GTR schools, provision of drinking water facilities, economic development schemes and training skills are provided through TAHDCO for Tribal Development.

Under this scheme Rs.5120.12 lakh has been spent upto 2013-14.

4. Tribal Research Centre and Tribal Museum

An exclusive Tribal Research Centre was established in the year 1983 with the assistance of Government of India at Muthorai Palada, Udthagamandalam in the Nilgiris District, for data collection about the Tribes and to conduct necessary research about their life style, culture, language and socio economic and educational status. A Director, who is specialized in Anthropology is heading TRC. A Library and a Tribal Museum has been setup in which the tribal artifacts and photographs on the life style of the tribes are displayed. A sales emporium has

also been built to facilitate the sale of Tribal handicrafts.

5. Vocational Guidance Centre

For giving guidance to the tribal youth and to choose their career and profession a Special Vocational Guidance Centre is functioning at Udthagamandalam in the Nilgiris District

6. Industrial Training Institutes

Industrial Training Institutes exclusively for the Scheduled Tribes are functioning in Karumanthurai - Salem District, Kolli Hills – Namakkal District, Jamunamarathur – Tiruvannamalai District, Anaikatti – Coimbatore District, Gudalur – Nilgiris District and Sankarapuram - Villupuram District.

III. TAMILNADU ADI DRAVIDAR HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

INTRODUCTION

1. Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation (TAHDCO) was commissioned in 1974 under the Companies Act, 1956 initially as a construction company for construction of fire proof houses for the people of Scheduled Caste. Since 1980-81, the Corporation has also been involved in socio economic development activities for the benefit of Adi Dravidar people.

2. SHARE CAPITAL

At the time of commissioning of this Corporation in 1974 the share capital of the Corporation was Rs.1 Crore and at present the Authorized Share Capital and Paid Up Share Capital of the Corporation are Rs.150 Crore and Rs.128.27 Crore respectively. Since 1980, the paid up Share Capital of the Corporation is contributed by the Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of India in the ratio of 51:49. The company was given a new lease of life by the

Government of Tamil Nadu by releasing a sum of Rs.33.15 crore as share of the State Government for the period between 2003-04 and 2012-13.

3. OBJECTIVES

1. Construction Activities.
2. Economic Development Activities
3. Training—both Skill Development & upgradation and top class education.
4. TAHDCO aims to improve the living standard of Adi Dravidar and Tribal population who are at the last rung of social ladder through formulation of need based programme. But there is a gap inspite of the continued efforts of the Government between the socio-economic development and the social status of the Adi Dravidar people. To bridge this gap, various socio-economic development schemes are implemented. The commitment to bridge the gap of socio-economic status and accessibility of resources for the Adi Dravidar people is ensured by increasing the **quantum of subsidy for the first time from Rs.25,000 to Rs.2.25 Lakh from the year**

2011-12 which definitely makes a visible change in their life.

4. SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED FOR ADI DRAVIDARS THROUGH TAHDCO:

- 1) Land Purchase Scheme exclusively for women
- 2) Land Development Scheme
- 3) Entrepreneur Development Programme (EDP)
- 4) Special Scheme under EDP – Assistance for Petrol / Diesel / Gas retail outlets
- 5) Self Employment Programme for Youth (SEPY)
- 6) Self Employment Programme for Youth – SEPY Special – for Medical and Paramedical establishments.
- 7) Revolving Fund to women Self Help Groups.
- 8) Economic Assistance to women Self Help Groups.
- 9) Financial Assistance to Civil Services aspirants (UPSC)
- 10) Financial Assistance to State Civil Service aspirants (TNPSC Group-I)
- 11) Financial Assistance to Law Graduates to set up their profession

12) Financial Assistance to Chartered Accountant / Cost Accountant to set up their profession.

13) Managing Director's Discretionary Fund

14) Collectors' Discretionary Fund.

5. SCHEMES WITH LOAN ASSISTANCE

(i) LAND PURCHASE SCHEME

In the year 2004 – 05 an exclusive scheme for women was introduced for empowering them and also to improve the size of land holding of this community.

Salient Features

- Title Deeds are registered in the name of women
- Exemption of 100% stamp duty and registration fees upto Rs.1 lakh
- Seller should be a non Adi Dravidar

In 2014-15 under this scheme 36 beneficiaries were given financial assistance of Rs.123.53 lakh.

(ii) LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Since 2013 – 14 the benefit under this scheme is extended to all the land owners of Adi Dravidar community. The aim of the scheme is to create water resources and irrigation facilities and thereby enhance the land utilisation as well as income through lands.

In 2014-15, 57 beneficiaries were assisted with Rs.139.17 lakh.

(iii) ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (EDP):

Entrepreneur Development Programme is a poverty reduction programme aims to assist the Adi Dravida people in the age group between 18 and 55 years irrespective of their educational qualification. This scheme can be accessed both by individuals and groups.

Under this scheme 3795 beneficiaries were given financial assistance to the tune of Rs.13243.72 lakh in 2014 – 15.

(iv) SPECIAL SCHEME UNDER EDP – Assistance for Petrol / Diesel / Gas retail outlets

A Special scheme of assistance for establishing Petrol / Diesel / Gas retail outlets has been introduced in the financial year 2012-13. To enable the Adi Dravidars to access the A & B categories of Petrol/ Diesel/Gas outlets loan assistance is given for purchase of land and deposit for bank guarantee. On

sanctioning of dealership the selected person can access for working capital. To explain further, the scheme could be accessed either before selection or on selection.

In 2014–15 under this scheme 1 beneficiary was given a financial assistance of Rs.7.50 lakh.

(v) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH (SEPY)

SEPY caters to the educated, un-employed youth in the age group between 18 and 35, who desire to establish their own profession or business enterprises.

In the year 2014 – 15, 1262 beneficiaries were given a financial assistance of Rs.5702.09 lakh.

(vi) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR YOUTH (SEPY) - Special scheme for Medical and Paramedical establishments

SEPY- Special caters to the Medical and Paramedical professionals viz., Doctors, Dentists, Siddha Doctors (BSMS), Ayurvedic Doctors (BAMS)

and Practitioners of Naturopathy and Yoga (BNYS) who wish to establish their own clinic/ Lab/Stores. From the year 2013 – 14, this scheme was extended to paramedical disciplines viz., Physiotherapists, Pharmacists, Opticians and Lab Technicians who have registered their names with the appropriate authority.

15 beneficiaries were given a financial assistance of Rs.85.95 lakh in 2014 – 15.

(vii) REVOLVING FUND ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN SELF HELP GROUPS (SHGs):

Revolving Fund assistance is provided for exclusive Adi dravidar women self help groups for poverty eradication. A subsidy of Rs.25,000/- is given as one time grant from the year 2012-13. The bank will in turn give Rs.50,000/- which will augment the corpus fund of SHGs.

Under this scheme 2310 beneficiaries were given financial assistance of Rs.120.65 lakh in the year 2014 – 15.

(viii) ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS

Financial Assistance for income generating programme is yet another measure for economic empowerment of women as group. Under this scheme, adequate and timely credit at a reasonable interest rate is provided to SHGs for income generating activities. Adi Dravidar women Self Help Groups which have been credit rated twice can avail the loan for the income generating economic activities. A maximum of 50% of the project cost or Rs.2.50 lakh whichever is less is sanctioned as subsidy to the Self Help Groups.

Under this scheme 15135 beneficiaries were given a financial assistance of Rs.7453.23 lakh in 2014-15.

Under all these schemes the beneficiaries should belong to Scheduled Caste and the subsidy is back ended.

GRANTS

TAHDCO not only assist Income Generating Programmes / Economic Development by providing loan and subsidy but also support the youth in pursuit

of higher aspiration and the uncovered under other schemes through 100% grant.

(ix) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (UPSC)

To support the Civil Services aspirants belonging to Adi Dravidar communities financial assistance of Rs.50,000 is given to those who have passed Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination to enable them to prepare for Civil Services (Main) Examination from 2012-13 onwards.

47 aspirants were given a financial assistance of Rs. 23.50 lakh during the year 2014 – 15.

(x) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATE CIVIL SERVICES ASPIRANTS (TNPSC GROUP-I)

TNPSC Group-I is the top most civil services of the State. Recognising the need for assistance who are in pursuit of Group I Services, financial assistance of Rs. 50,000/- was introduced from the year 2013-14.

In 2014-15, 77 aspirants have been benefitted with a financial assistance of Rs.38.50 lakh under this scheme.

(xi) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW GRADUATES

Financial Assistance of Rs.50,000/- is available to the successful law graduates, from Tamil Nadu law University, Deemed Universities and the law colleges recognized by the university on regular curriculum for setting up their profession. The eligibility criteria is the applicant should be above 25 and not above 45 years, regular legal practitioners, registered in the state or All India Bar Council are given one time assistance.

During the year 2014-15, 483 candidates have been assisted to the tune of Rs. 241.50 lakh.

(xii) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT / COST ACCOUNTANT TO SET UP THEIR PROFESSION

To encourage the young Chartered Accountant / Cost Accountant to set up own profession a grant of Rs.50,000/- is made accessible under the scheme, since 2013-14.

(xiii) MANAGING DIRECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

This scheme has been introduced from the year 2012-13. A corpus of Rs.100 lakh is allocated to extend financial assistance for medical treatment, gap filling assistance to those who pursue primary education to professional courses and persons affected in communal clashes and any other activities which deserve a helping hand subject to rules in vogue.

Under this scheme 57 beneficiaries were given a financial assistance to the tune of Rs.7.08 lakh in the year 2014 - 15.

(xiv) COLLECTORS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

Under the scheme an assistance upto Rs.20,000/- is granted. Preference is given to differently abled, destitute widows, indigent artists, unmarried women above 40 years of age and children with no parent / guardian and any other person who is considered as deserved for grant by the District Collector.

In 2014-15 under this scheme 499 beneficiaries were given a financial assistance of Rs.99.90 lakh.

6. Assistance to SC women members of Women Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies.

In accordance with the Hon'ble Chief Minister's announcement, women members of the Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies under the control of Directorate of Social Welfare, beneficiaries were given assistance for the purchase of modernized sewing machine. Each beneficiary is given 30% of the cost of the sewing machine as subsidy from Special Central Assistance (SCA) and the balance 70% is given as soft loan at 4% interest from TAHDCO's share capital.

During the year 2014-15, 2834 SC women members were assisted with Rs.393.91 lakh.

7. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SCHEDULED TRIBES

TAHDCO has been implementing economic development schemes for tribal communities from 2012-13.

The following schemes are implemented for Tribal people

- 1) Land Purchase Scheme
- 2) Land Development scheme
- 3) Entrepreneur Development Scheme
- 4) Self Employment Programme for Tribal Youth.
- 5) Revolving Fund Assistance to women Self Help Groups.
- 6) Economic Assistance to women Self Help Groups.
- 7) Assistance to ST women members of Women Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies.

(i) LAND PURCHASE SCHEME

Land holding is an index of empowerment of women in a society. To empower the tribal women they are encouraged to purchase land. A maximum quantum of assistance Rs. 7.50 lakh with 50% subsidy is given to increase the land holding of the tribal community. It is insisted the land should be purchased from non-tribe.

(ii) LAND DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Under this scheme financial assistance is given for creating water sources, irrigation facilities and electrification for irrigation. Maximum quantum of assistance is Rs.7.50 lakh including the 50% subsidy.

(iii) ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

For economic development of Tribes, assistance is provided for any income generating activities. The minimum cost of the project is Rs.1.50 lakh. Subsidy under the scheme is 50% of project cost subject to a maximum limit of Rs.3.75 lakh per individual.

Under this scheme 488 beneficiaries were given financial assistance of Rs.1638.30 lakh in the year 2014 – 15.

(iv) SELF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME FOR TRIBAL YOUTH

Tribal youth who possess driving licence are provided with financial assistance for purchase of Passenger Vehicle / Jeep. Under this scheme the

quantum of subsidy is 50% of the unit cost subject to a maximum of Rs.4 lakh.

69 beneficiaries were assisted with Rs.446.12 lakh in the year 2014 – 15.

(v) REVOLVING FUND ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS (SHGs):

A quantum of Rs.25,000/- is given as one time grant as revolving fund. This assistance is used to augment the corpus fund of Self Help Groups.

Under this scheme 12 beneficiaries were given financial assistance of Rs.75000 in the year 2014 – 15.

(vi) ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO SELF HELP GROUPS

Under the scheme, Self Help Groups which are credit rated twice can avail assistance for various income generating activities like handicrafts, horticulture, floriculture, establishment of hotels in tourist spots and other tourism and hospitality industries based activities. TAHDCO will release a

subsidy of 50% of project cost subject to a maximum of Rs.3.75 lakh as back ended subsidy.

Under this scheme 588 beneficiaries were given financial assistance of Rs.254 lakh in the year 2014 – 15.

(vii) Assistance to ST women members of Women Industrial Tailoring Co-operative Societies.

ST women members of the Industrial Tailoring co-operative societies under the control of Directorate of Social Welfare are given financial assistance for the purchase of modern sewing machine. Each beneficiary is given 30% of the cost of the sewing machine as subsidy from Special Central Assistance for Tribals and the balance 70% is given as soft loan at 4% interest from TAHDCO's share capital.

During the year 2014-15, the financial assistance was granted to 196 ST women members to the tune of Rs. 27.24 lakh.

8. SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

To create employment opportunities and to strengthen the skill needs specific to trades among the youths belong to Adi Dravidar, Tribe and converted to Christianity, suitable skill development training programmes are organized through well known and recognized institutes. These training programmes equip the youth for wage employment / self employment. The training programmes are conducted from 10% allocation under SCA Fund and from funds given by Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation.

Some of the important Training Programmes given by TAHDCO.

- AC Mechanic
- Apparel manufacturing Training
- Beautician
- BPO / Call centre
- CAD/CAM
- CAT/XAT
- Diesel Mechanic
- Electrician
- Fitter
- Food Production, Food & Beverages

- Footwear and Leather Product Manufacturing
- Hardware and Networking
- JCB, Pocklin, Fork Lift Operation
- Motor Mechanic
- Plastic Product Manufacturing
- Retail Management
- Software testing
- Stenography
- Tally
- Tailoring

During the year 2014 – 15, 9641 candidates were trained through 45 institutes at a cost of Rs.14.16 crore.

9. CONSTRUCTION WING

The construction wing of TAHDCO undertakes the Construction of hostels, school buildings, community halls and basic infrastructure in Adi Dravidar and Tribal habitations for the benefit of Adi Dravidar and Tribal people.

10. STATE GOVERNMENT WORKS

New Hostel Buildings:-

To bridge the gap between the existing hostels and growing need for hostels for Adi Dravidar students,

own buildings are constructed for the hostels functioning in rental buildings. During the year 2013 – 14, as a first phase, own buildings were constructed for 27 hostels. 27 new hostel buildings are to be constructed during the year 2015-16.

11. NABARD SCHEME WORKS

a) New hostel for Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare students (RIDF – XVIII)

During 2014 – 15 a sum of Rs. 37.55 Crore has been sanctioned for the construction of 44 new hostel buildings. Of these 32 hostels were completed and 12 hostels are under progress.

b) Infrastructure Facilities to Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools (RIDF - XIX)

During 2014 – 15 a sum of Rs. 52.47 Crore has been sanctioned to provide infrastructure facilities to 792 Adi Dravidar and Tribal welfare schools. 83 works have been completed and balance are under progress.

Under various schemes, works to a value of Rs.120.55 crore are in progress.

IV. Financial allocation for Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department during 2015-16
(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Heads of Department	Revenue	Capital	Total
1	Secretariat	5.79	0.00	5.79
2	Adi Dravidar Welfare	1712.67	169.82	1882.49
3	Tribal Welfare	186.72	31.29	218.01
	Total	1905.18	201.11	2106.29

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