Guidelines

Organization of Tribal Festivals

1. Background

The mandate of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs is to ensure the well being and advancement of the Scheduled Tribes while also preserving, showcasing and promoting the various facets of tribal life relating to their culture, traditions and customs. In order to accomplish this mandate effectively, the Ministry, under the scheme of '**Organization of Tribal Festivals'** organises tribal festivals at the regional level through the State/ Union Territory Governments and at the national level in collaboration with the nodal Ministry/Department/Organisation. Such festivals would include inter-alia activities such as dances; melas; exhibitions of art and artifacts including photos; sports events and documentary film festivals. These may be organised at the local, district, state and/or national levels.

2 Objectives

The scheme will address itself mainly to the well-identified and urgent need for creating awareness, promotion and dissemination of tribal culture and traditions. The main objectives of the scheme are:

(i) To generate awareness of the richness and diversity of tribal culture and disseminate among the urban educated people so as to inculcate respect and admiration in them for the tribals.

(ii) To provide the Scheduled Tribe communities with opportunities to conduct cultural activities including their traditional festivals, traditional sports events and showcase such events peculiar to the communities, in their own environment.

(iii) To tap the inherent talent of upcoming tribal folk artists, sports persons, etc and encourage their participation at national and international events.

(iv) To provide a platform for interaction across various tribal groups thereby promoting camaraderie and a sense of brotherhood among them.

3 Procedure for sending proposals

3.1 State /UT Governments willing to organise a tribal festival may send their proposals as per format at **Annexure-I**, indicating the name of the festival, tribe(s), district highlighting the event including a small write up on the festival. For States/UT Governments having TRIs, they may entrust the work to the TRIs and the application may be forwarded as per format at **Annexure –II**.

3.2 States should, to the extent possible, give equal opportunity to all tribes. However, proposal for organising tribal festivals specific to Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups(PTGs) and tribal women within the State/UT would be given preference.

3.3 The last date for receipt of completed application will be **31st October every year*.**

4 Financial Assistance

4.1 The scheme will provide grants to the State/Union Territory governments for organizing tribal cultural and traditional sports events. This is to provide support to States' efforts to organise tribal festivals in their own environment. For the national tribal festival, the Ministry may provide the grant to the Ministry/Department with whom the festival is proposed to be jointly organised.

4.2. 75% of the grant will be provided as the first installment. The second and final installment of 25% will be provided after submission of the Utilization Certificate from the State Government/UT Administration.

*** For the current financial year i.e. 2009-10 last date extended upto 30th November, 2009**

Annexure - I

Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Scheme for Financial Assistance for organization of Tribal Festivals

APPLICATION FORM

1	Name of the State Government/UT Admn.	
2	Address (with telephone/fax/e-mail address)	
3	Theme of the Festival/ Cultural Event	
4	Brief background (not exceeding 200 words)	
5	Tentative date and duration of festival/cultural event	
6	Cost Estimates of the proposal (with full break-up)	
7	Other sources of funding, if any. Give details:	

Signature of the forwarding officer

Name……..

Designation……..

Official stamp of the
State Government/UT Admn.
Telephone Number with STD Code

Annexure-II

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Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Scheme for Financial Assistance for organization of Tribal Festivals

APPLICATION FORM

<table>
<tr><td>1</td><td colspan="5">Name of the Tribal Research Institute</td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td>Bank account no.</td><td>Type of account saving/ current</td><td>Modes of electronic transfer available in bank branch (RTGS/ NEFT/ ECS/ CBS)</td><td>IFSC Code</td><td>MICR Code</td></tr>
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Signature of the forwarding officer

Name……..

Designation……..

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Appendix

CHECK LIST

1.	Festival last organised including report in the CD format along with photographs in soft copy.	Yes/No
2.	Calendar drawn up	Yes/No
3.	Brief –write up enclosed	Yes/No
4.	Utilization Certificate sent	Yes/No
5.	Details of expenditure	Yes/No
6.	Application duly filled in as per **Annexure I/II**	Yes/No
7.	Details of Bank Account for TRI	Yes/No

Signature of forwarding Officer

Name

Designation

Place.

Date.