

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN AID TO TRIBALS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether assistance from international financial institutions have been received for tribal development related projects in the country;
- (b) If so, the details thereof, project- wise, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of steps taken to complete the projects in time?

Answer

Minister of State for Finance (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) and (b): Yes Sir, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) has provided funds for two projects related to tribal development. The details of the projects are as follows:

(figures in US\$ million)

Name of the project	States	Signing date / closing date	Loan Amount	Cum Disb.
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upto July 2010

Bihar-Madhya Pradesh Jharkhand and Tribal Development Programme	Orissa	25-06-1999 / 30-06-2011	22.8	14.02
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Orissa Tribal Empowerment and Livelihoods Programme	Orissa	18-12-2002 / 31-03-2013	20	6.70
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The project was originally approved for Bihar and Madhya Pradesh and was transferred to Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh after creation of new States

(c): Periodic tripartite review meetings are conducted by the Department of Economic Affairs involving IFAD, Project Authorities and Line Ministries. In these meetings, besides reviewing the progress of the projects, overseeing and monitoring of timely completion of all IFAD assisted Projects are reviewed. The last two tripartite meetings were held on April 8 and July 12, 2010 respectively.

Periodic State level reviews under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary of the State for all externally assisted projects including IFAD are also conducted. Wrap-up meetings are held with IFAD staff, Project Authorities and Line Ministries after each supervision mission for the project.