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Introduction

Goa, one of the small states of India, is experiencing political mobilizations among the tribes for inclusion in the mainstream of development through obtaining Scheduled Tribe (ST) status. There had been discontent among the four tribal categories, the Kunbi, Velip, Gauda, and Dhangar. The first three are now included in the list of Scheduled Tribe but the struggle of the last continues. The Goan tribal communities until the turn of the century have recognised a part of the Other Backward Classes (OBC).

The long pressing demand of recognising the communities as 'Scheduled Tribes' got ultimately fulfilled with the concerted efforts of the leaders of the respective tribal communities in the year 2003. It was to be considered as a breakthrough in the realisation of tribal emancipation in the years to come. Until this period, the welfare of these tribal communities in the State remained silent.

Tribal Development Programmes in Goa

The Indian Constitution provides special provisions for the protection and development of the Scheduled Tribes who are socially isolated and economically backwards in society. They shall enjoy economic benefits to improve their financial and social position. Therefore the Government

implemented centrally sponsored programmes/schemes and also enacted new programmes/schemes at the State level.

Tribal Welfare Programmes/Schemes and Tribal Sub Plan in Goa

Schemes of the Tribal Welfare Department

A) Centrally Sponsored Schemes

- 1) Pre-Matric Scholarship (Std. IXth to Xth)**
- 2) Post Matric Scholarship**
- 3) Proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution of India**
- 4) National Fellowship & Scholarship**
- 5) National Overseas & Scholarship**
- 6) Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme**

B) State Government Schemes

- 1) Pre-Matric Scholarship (Std. Vth to Xth)**
- 2) Vidya Laxmi**
- 3) Home Nursing Courses**
- 4) Grant in Aid to Voluntary Organization**
- 5) Gagan Bharari Shiksha Yojana**
- 6) Merit-Based Award**
- 7) Sahayata**
- 8) Antya Sanskar Sahay Yojana**
- 9) Atal Asra Yojana**
- 10) To Support Children of Widow/Orphan Child**
- 11) Prashikshan Yatra**
- 12) Sanskruti Bhavan**
- 13) Adivasi Vikas Yojana**
- 14) Financial Assistance to Pre-Primary School in Remote Area**

15) Munkarache Ghar

16) Sheti Samrudhi Yojana

17) Udyog Adhar Yojana

18) Matrutva Yojana

19) Short Term Professional Training Courses in the State of Goa

C. Schemes of ST Corporation

1) Ashraya Adhar Scheme

2) Self Employment Scheme

3) Short Term Loan Scheme

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES

1. Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for Students belonging to ST studying in Class IXth & Xth.

Objectives: 1. To support parents of ST children for the education of their wards studying in classes IX and X so that the incidence of drop-out, especially in the transition from the elementary to the secondary stage is minimized, and

2. To improve participation of ST children in classes IX and X of the Pre- Matric stage, so that they perform better and have a better chance of progressing to the post-matric stage of education.

2. Scheme of Post Matric Scholarships to the Students belonging to Scheduled Tribes for studies in India.

Objectives: The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the Scheduled Tribe students studying at the post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to complete their studies.

3. Proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution of India

Objectives: The main objective for programmes/activities funded with Grants-in-aid under Proviso to Art.275(1) of Indian Constitution Article 275(1) Grants to bridge the gap between Scheduled Tribe (ST) population and others by accelerating the development of STs by ensuring:

- (i) Human resource development by enhancing their access to education and health services,
- (ii) Enhanced quality of life by providing basic amenities in tribal areas/localities.
- (iii) Substantial reduction in poverty and unemployment, creation of productive assets and income-generating opportunities.
- (iv) Enhanced capacity to avail opportunities, gain rights and entitlements and improved facilities at par with other areas, and
- (v) Protection against exploitation and oppression.

4. National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST students

Objectives: 1) Fellowship: the objective of the scheme is to encourage the ST students, a section of society with the lowest literary levels in the country, to acquire higher education in the form of fellowship to pursue M.Phil and PhD courses, to create qualified professionals to hold the post of teachers/professionals and other higher stages of employment.

2) Scholarship: ST students are intended to encourage meritorious ST students to pursue courses at Graduate/Post Graduate level in identified Institutions of excellence, Government and Private, in professional fields such as Management, Medicine, Engineering, Information Technology, Law etc.

5. The Scheme of National Overseas Scholarships for Scheduled Tribe Candidates

Objectives: The scheme provides financial assistance to students selected for pursuing higher studies abroad in certain subjects at the Masters level courses, and for Ph. D and Post-Doctoral research programmes. Bachelor level courses in any discipline are not covered under the scheme. 20 awards per year would be sanctioned to ST students under this scheme.

6. Special Central Assistance (SCA) to Tribal Sub Scheme (TSS)

Objectives: The main Objective for programmes/activities funded with Grants-in-aid under Special Central Assistance(SCA) to Tribal Sub Scheme(TSS) is to bridge the gap between the Scheduled Tribe (ST) population and others by accelerating the development of STs by ensuring:

1. Human resource development by enhancing their access to education and health services,
2. Enhanced quality of life by providing basic amenities in tribal areas/localities.
3. Substantial reduction in poverty and unemployment, creation of productive assets and income-generating opportunities.
4. Enhanced capacity to avail opportunities, gain rights and entitlements and improved facilities at par with other areas, and
5. Protection against exploitation and oppression.

STATE GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

1. Scheme to provide Assistance in Education to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes & Other Backward Classes children (Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme classes Vth to Xth)

Objectives: The object of the scheme is to improve the educational status and arrest the tendency of drop-outs of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes & Other Backward Classes students by way of providing financial assistance to the families of such students who are otherwise unable to send them to schools due to poverty.

2. Vidya Laxmi

Objectives: The Objective of the scheme "Vidya Laxmi" is to promote education among the girl children of the Scheduled Tribe Communities and further to assist these weaker sections of the society.

3. Scheme of Scholarship to ST students pursuing Home Nursing Courses

Objectives: The Objective of the Scheme is to provide financial assistance to the poor and meritorious students belonging to Scheduled Tribe to enable them to pursue Home Nursing courses.

4. Grant in aid to Voluntary Organizations for running hostels for ST students

Objectives: The objective of the scheme is to give grant-in-aid to the voluntary organizations that run hostels for Scheduled Tribe students to enable them to pursue their studies who due to poverty otherwise are unable to attend the schools.

5. Financial Assistance to ST students under "Gagan Bharari Shiksha Yojana"

Objectives: To provide additional financial assistance to the ST students as the maintenance allowance given under the Post Matric Scholarship is inadequate to meet the expenses on food & travel.

6. Merit-Based Award and recognition of high performance in the Board Exams of SSC and HSSC in the State of Goa

Objective: To motivate students by giving Merit-Based Award on the benchmark of the performance and to provide financial incentives to high performing students who are economically weak.

7. Sahayata (Scheme to provide financial assistance to organized programmes)

Objectives: The objective of the scheme is to provide Financial Assistance to organize activities such as Seminars, Workshops, Competitions, Medical Camps, and Awareness Camps etc. in the State of Goa too:

(a) Voluntary Organizations/NGO's working for the welfare of poor Scheduled Tribes in Goa.

(b) Panchayat Raj Institutions, Municipalities having majority tribal population to assist in implementing schemes and for protection of rights of the vulnerable tribal population.

(c) Committees constituted under Forest Right Act.

8. Grant of Financial Assistance for the performance of funeral and religious ceremonies of ST families under "Antya Sanskar Sahay Yojana"

Objectives: The financial assistance for the performance of funeral and religious ceremonies of Schedule Tribes families.

9. Financial Assistance for Construction/ Re-Construction and Repairs of the house under Atal Asra Yojana

Objectives: Financial Assistance for Construction/Re-construction and repairs of the house to Schedule Tribes population.

10. "Scheme to Support Children of widow /Orphan Child belonging to Scheduled Tribes Community"

Objectives: To give financial support to the orphan children and the children of widows for meeting the expenditure on food, clothing, and shelter till the children attain the age of 18 years.

11. Financial Assistance to PrashikshanYatra- Scheme to provide financial assistance for conducting study tours (Excursion) for ST students during the vacations

Objective: To provide financial assistance to the educational institutes in the tribal-dominated areas to conduct study tours/excursions across the country to cover places of historic, cultural and educational importance during school vacations.

12. Construction of Multipurpose Community Halls in Areas inhabited by Tribal Community "Sanskriti Bhavan".

Objectives: The scheme aims to help the ST community by providing the most needed infrastructure of Multipurpose Community Halls in villages dominated/inhabited by ST Communities. These Multipurpose Community Halls will serve as marriage halls, facilitation points for organizing awareness programmes, conducting training, seminars, holding meetings of Forest Right Committees and other socio-cultural events.

13. "ADIVASI VIKAS YOJANA" that is Infrastructure Development In Tribal Areas Under Tribal Sub Plan

Objectives: To provide Financial Support to Village Panchayats/ Zilla Panchayats and Municipalities where there is a substantial tribal population to create new infrastructure and upgrade the existing infrastructure as also carry out one-time maintenance for the benefit of the village communities.

14. Financial Assistance to Pre- Primary School in Remote Areas

Objectives: To provide financial assistance to set up pre-primary schools in the remote tribal areas which lack the facility of pre-primary education for the tribal population. Financial assistance in the form of rent, the amount payable for the premises, fixed remuneration to one Teacher, one helper, teaching aid/equipment, toys, mid-day meals will be provided under the scheme.

15. Financial Assistance to purchase Dwelling House of Mundkar under the scheme "Mundkarache Ghar"

Objectives: Financial Assistance to the needy Mundkars of ST category to enable them to exercise their right to purchase dwelling house at the price determined by the Mamlatdar under the provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mundkar Act.

16. Financial Assistance to facilitate community-level action for the growth of agriculture and for preparing conservation management plan of community forest resources under "Sheti Samrudhi Yojana"

Objectives: To provide financial assistance to facilitate and support community-level action to private voluntary organizations, including farmer's co-operatives, committees constituted by Gram Sabhas aimed at improving food security, reducing poverty, and assuring sustainability in the management of natural resources.

17. Financial Assistance to Participate and Organize Exhibition cum Sale, Fairs and Workshop Camp as "Udyog Adhar Yojana"

Objectives: 1. To provide financial assistance to an individual ST person or a group of ST Persons either to participate in the exhibition /Fairs etc. organized in the state of Goa or outside Goa.

2. To provide financial assistance to NGOs to organize an exhibition/fair etc. for the benefit of ST people in respect of exhibition cum sale the traditional product of the tribal people.

18. Financial Assistance to bear Medical Treatment for infertility of ST couple by IVF (Invitro Fertilization) /IUI(Intra Uterine Insemination)Method Under "Matrutva Yojana"

Objectives: 1) To provide Financial Assistance to Married couples from St community who fail to conceive even after three years of marriage due to primary infertility and who desire to undergo medical treatment under IVF/IUI under this scheme.

2) To provide a good, healthy life for the mother & child in the womb.

19. Scheme to provide financial assistance for ST people for Short Term Professional Training Courses in the State of Goa

Objectives: (i) To train the youth of Scheduled Tribe Community to start their own business and to provide financial assistance to the beneficiaries of

Scheduled Tribe community to acquire skill by joining the various training courses for self-employment or their livelihood.

SCHEMES OF THE GOA STATE SCHEDULED TRIBES FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

1. Ashraya Adhar Scheme

Objectives: The objective of the Scheme "ASHRAYA ADHAR SCHEME" is to provide financial assistance in the form of a loan for repair/renovation/reconstruction of the house.

2. Self Employment Scheme

Objectives: The objective of the scheme is to develop entrepreneurship and thereby improving the economic condition of the ST community.

3. Short Term Loan Scheme for Education, Medical and Business Purpose

Objectives: The objective of the Scheme is to provide Financial Assistance/loans as a credit to ST people to meet the immediate expenses towards Education, Medical and Business needs.

There is also the State commission that is the Goa Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Act, 2010 provides for the establishment of the Goa Commission for SC/ST to safeguard the interest of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the State of Goa.

Various Government departments offer special programmes/schemes for the development of the Scheduled Tribes in Goa.

Summary

The State Government has come up with various programmes/schemes for the development of the Scheduled Tribes but due to lack of awareness, these programmes/schemes have not reached the Scheduled Tribe communities of Goa.