

REVIEW OF TRIFED INITIATIVES

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Replying to an un-starred question of Shri Vijaya Kumar Alias Vijayavasanth, Shri Suresh Kumar Shetkar and Manickamtagore B, the Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Shri Durgadas Uikey informed Lok Sabha today that the review of schemes and programmes implemented by TRIFED is a routine process which is undertaken from time to time. The challenges faced by TRIFED are broadly related to demand of tribal products in the market, delayed utilization of funds by State Implementing Agencies and market linkages.

The financial assistance provided to TRIFED in the last five years is given below:

Year	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Amount (Rs. in crores)	170.74	255.90	135.27	151.28	111.70

So far, TRIFED has sanctioned 4130 Van Dhan Vikas Kendras (VDVKs) under Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Vikas Mission (PMJVM) scheme associating 12,35,308 beneficiaries and 531 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG) VDVKs under Pradhan Mantri JanjatiAdiwasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN) associating 45,480 beneficiaries. All these VDVKs have reported sale of tribal products amounting to Rs. 129.86 crores till date. Besides, TRIFED has undertaken procurement worth Rs. 97.18 crores from their empanelled tribal artisans / SHGs in the last five years for marketing through its Tribes India outlets and multiple eCommerce platforms. There are generally no delays/gaps in procurement, marketing or disbursement of payments to tribal artisans/suppliers.

VDVKs set up under PM-JANMAN and PMJVM takes care of promotional activities for livelihood of PVTGs and other tribal communities located in remote areas as well as Left-Wing Extremism (LWE)-affected tribal areas.

At present the Ministry do not have any plan for restructure of TRIFED.

No third-party review of the schemes implemented through TRIFED has been conducted recently.

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