



राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग  
National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

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(A Constitutional body exercising powers of a Civil Court under Article 338A of the Constitution of India)

F. No. NCST/DEV-810/MH/6/2022-ESDW

Dated: 22.03.2023

To,

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**Sub:** Minutes/proceeding of the Sitting/Hearing taken by Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST, New Delhi on the 16.02.2023 at 03:30 PM regarding representation dated 01-03-2022 from Shri Popat Bhawan Gangurde, R/o Koswan, Post Jaydar, Tal Kalwan, Nashik District, Maharashtra - regarding the non-disbursal of funds to already established Van Dhan Kendra at Koswan, Tehsil Kalwan, Nashik, Maharashtra.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of Minutes/Proceeding of the Sitting/Hearing taken by Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST, New Delhi on the 16.02.2023 at 03:30 PM on the above mentioned subject for information and necessary action.

2. You are requested to send the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the recommendations of the Commission **within 15 days** from the date of receiving of the Minutes/Proceeding.

Encl: as Above.

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Yours faithfully,

(H.R. Meena)  
Research Officer

Copy for information to: -

**Shri Popat Bhawan Gangurde,**  
R/o Koswan, Post Jaydar,  
Tal Kalwan, Nashik District,  
Maharashtra

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**Minutes of the Sitting held under the Chairmanship of Shri Ananta Nayak, Hon'ble Member, NCST regarding Non-allocation of Fund to Van Dhan Vikas Kendra, Koswan**

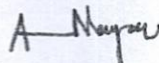
**Date of the Sitting: 16.02.2023**

**Participants in the Sitting: As per Annexure**

The Petitioner Popat Bhawan Gangurde, Koswan Village, Post Jaydar, Tal Kalwan, Nashik, Maharashtra, through his representation stated that Van Dhan Vikas Kendra, Koswan MHN5 07 20 has been sanctioned on 11th December 2019. Since then, regular meetings of VDVK Managing Committee, Resolution for account opening, Opening VDVK bank account, Online submission of VDVK proposal processes have been undertaken by the VDVK Committee as per the guidelines mentioned in the Resolution published by Tribal Development Department, Government of Maharashtra. Unfortunately, in spite of repetitive inquiries the funds for the VDVK have not been released (Rs. 15,00,000). Not only has the VDVK received any funds nor has it received any acknowledgement for their query from the state implementation agency requests. Citing all these, the petitioner seeks the intervention of the commission.

The Commission issued Notice on 14/10/2022 to Shri. Hiralal Sonwane, Commissionerate, Tribal Development Department, Nashik, Govt of Maharashtra and Shri Shiva Chalwadi, Regional Manager, TRIFED, Maharashtra to submit an action taken report within 15 days.

In response to the notice, the Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation of India replied stating TRIFED shall examine the proposal for resurrection and if found acceptable, shall approve the resurrection proposal and release the fund to the State Nodal Department or State Implementing Agency. In Maharashtra State, 264 Van Dhan sanctioned by TRIFED and Rs. 24.60 cr have been transferred to the State implementing agency (Shabari) in the 2020. At present the State Implementing Agency is shifted from Shabari to Commissioner of Tribal Development Nashik on May 2022 in order to execute this scheme.



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सदस्य/Member

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In view of above, the role of TRIFED is to sanction the Van Dhan Kendra and distribute the amount to SND/SIA (State Implementing Agency), the SIA role is to collect the documents pertaining to sanctioned VDVKe, verify it and distribute the amount to VDVKc account.

The Commissionerate, Nashik in its reply stated that Shabari Adivasi Finance and Development Corporation Limited, Nashik initially operated the Pradhan Mantri van Dhan Vikas Yojana. The said Yojana vide Govt. Resolution transferred to this office i.e., Commissionerate of Tribal Development, Maharashtra State, Nashik and since then this office has started functioning the said Yojana, so far as the complaint is concerned, the regional office of Shabari Tribal Finance and Development Corporation has made correspondence to the Head Office during the period from 22/09/2021 to 11/03/2023. This office has verified the facts of the case and found that petitioner not fulfilled the information on the Portal maintained for Pradhan Mantri van Dhan Vikas Yojana therefore the then SIA has reverted the form of complainant's NGO. This office has conducted a meeting with the co-ordination Institution (NGO) VanvasiKalyan Ashram, Maharashtra, Nashik and other concerned authorities during the said meeting the said NGO has informed that they are not aware about the revert of their form so they were asked to fulfilled their incomplete information on the online Portal and also uploaded the necessary documents.

In the Sitting on 16.02.2023, the Executive Director appeared on behalf of Managing Director, TRIFED, Govt of India and submitted that TRIFED shall examine and approve the proposal and release the fund to the State Nodal Department or State Implementing Agency. In Maharashtra State, 264 Van Dhan sanctioned by TRIFED and Rs. 24.60 cr have been transferred to the state implementing agency (Shabari) in the year 2020. At present the State Implementing Agency is shifted from Shabari to Commissioner of Tribal Development Nashik on May 2022 in order to execute this scheme, In view of above, TRIFED role is to sanction the Van Dhan Kendra and distribute the amount to SND/SIA (State Implementing Agency), the SIA role is to collect the documents pertaining to sanctioned VDVKe, verify it and distribute the amount to VDVKc account.

The Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik submitted that he has verified the facts of the case and found that petitioner not fulfilled the information on the Portal maintained for Pradhan Mantri Van Dhan Vikas Yojana. So they were asked to fulfilled

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their incomplete information on the online Portal and also uploaded the necessary documents. They have completed the process therefore needful will be done within a week

The Petitioner has repeated and reiterated his earlier submissions. In spite of repetitive inquiries, the funds for the VDVK has not been released (Rs. 15,00,000), also there are many VDVKS proposals pending with TRIFED and Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik but both departments have not taken any action and also are not supporting the villagers.

After hearing both the sides, the Commission recommends the followings: -

1. Tribal Development, Nashik has to grant all the funds to Van DhanVikas Kendra, Koswan within 15days.
2. Regional Manager, TRIFED, Maharashtra and Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik shall make joint enquiry of all the sanctioned VDVK's in the State of Maharashtra throughconstituting a committee and submit a complete report along with the present status VDVK's to the commission within 30days.
3. Regional Manager, TRIFED, Maharashtra and Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik will make joint review every year of all the VDVK's.
4. The Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik will co-ordinate with the State Government to include the one Member from VDVK and One Member from the eminent Non-Government Organizations to the State Steering Committee and will send copy of the communication to the Commission within 15days.
5. The Commissioner, Tribal Development, Nashik shall co-ordinate with the Forest department, Govt of Maharashtra and ensure that all VDVKS get access to collect the Minor Forest produces from their respective Village Forest areas and shall send copy of the communication and minutes of the meeting to the commission within 15days.
6. The Managing Director, TRIFED, Govt of India will initiate action on the pending proposals and send complete report to the commission within 15 days.

Action Taken Report with compliance of the Recommendations to be submitted to the Commission within 15 days.

  
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**(ANNEXURE)**

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**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS: -**

<b>National Commission for Scheduled Tribes</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	<b>Shri Ananta Nayak</b>	<b>Hon'ble Member</b>
2.	Dr. Jayant Sarode	Director
3.	Shri H.R. Meena	Research Officer
4.	Shri Amrita Solanki	Senior Investigator
5.	Shri Avinash Mattur	Legal Consultant
6.	Miss Ayushi Jain	Young Professional (Legal)
<b>The Commissioner, Tribal Development Department, Nashik, Government of Maharashtra,</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
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<b>Managing Director, Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED), New Delhi</b>		
1.	Shri Anupam Trivedi	Executive Director
2.	Shri Sandeep Pahalwan	DGM, Trifed
<b>The Regional Manager Regional Office TRIFED, Maharashtra,</b>		
1.	Shri Shiva Chalwadi	Regional Manager
<b>Petitioner</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	Shri Yuvraj Larde	Petitioner
2.	Shri Vasant Gaikwad	Petitioner