



Honey Farmer Producer Organisations: TRIFED

For Prelims: Sweet Revolution, Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), TRIFED.

For Mains: Beekeeping in India and related initiatives.

Why in News

Recently, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched 14 [Honey Farmer Producer Organizations \(FPOs\) of TRIFED \(Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India\)](#) along with various other initiatives such as The TRIFED Van Dhan Chronicle, The MIS Portal for Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produces etc.

- The **TRIFED Van Dhan Chronicle** documents the work done for the promotion of tribal enterprises in the country and the achievements of tribal entrepreneurs under the [Van Dhan Vikas Yojana](#).
- The **MIS Portal for Minimum Support Price for Minor Forest Produces** (MFPs), is a ready dashboard for the authorised users of The Ministry of Tribal Affairs and TRIFED. In this dashboard, data is available on a real-time basis, pertaining to the list of procurement centres and their locations, and the procurement of MFPs being done across the country.

Key Points

- **About:**
 - A [central sector scheme](#) titled “Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)” was launched in 2020 to ensure economies of scale for farmers over the next five years.
 - Under this scheme, **special emphasis has been laid on beekeeping by the formation of 100 FPOs** in identified potential Districts/States.
 - Beekeeping activity has been recognized as one of the important activities by Govt of India for its promotion and development to achieve [“Sweet Revolution”](#) in the endeavour of enhancing income of farmers.
 - The **National Bee Board (NBB)**, under the **National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NHBM)**, has planned to develop the scientific bee-keeping value chain for honey across 100 clusters in the country.
 - **TRIFED has been made the implementing agency by Ministry of Agriculture to undertake the formation of 14 Honey FPOs alongside NAFED** (National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd) **and NDDB** (National Dairy Development Board) in the states of Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and Gujarat.
- **Benefits:**
 - **Skill Upgradation** in scientific beekeeping.
 - **State of the art infrastructural facilities** for processing honey and allied beekeeping products like bee’s wax, propolis, royal jelly, bee venom, etc.

- Quality upgradation by **quality control laboratories**.
- Better **supply chain management** by improving collection, storage, bottling and marketing centres.
- Promotion and Formation of FPOs is the first step for converting Krishi into Atma Nirbhar Krishi.
- **Other Efforts by Government to Promote Beekeeping:**
 - Government is promoting beekeeping as part of its aim **to double farmers' income and ensure tribal upliftment**.
 - The Government has allocated Rs. 500 crore towards beekeeping under the [Atmanirbhar Abhiyan](#).
 - [Apiary on Wheels](#): It is a unique concept designed by the [Khadi and Village Industries Commission \(KVIC\)](#) for the easy upkeep and migration of Bee Boxes having live Bee colonies.
 - The National Bee Board has created four modules to impart training as part of the **NBHM (National Beekeeping & Honey Mission - central sector scheme)**.
 - Under it, 30 lakh farmers have been trained in beekeeping and are also being financially supported by the Government.
 - Mini Mission 1, Mini Mission 2 and Mini Mission 3 are schemes under the mission.
 - The Government launched NBHM as part of '**Sweet Revolution**'.
 - The 'Sweet Revolution' was launched in 2016-17 to promote beekeeping and associated activities.

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