

Internet in Remote Tribal Villages (VSAT)

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Recently, The Ministry of Tribal Affairs plans to collaborate with the <u>Indian Space Research</u>

Organisation (ISRO) to deploy V-SAT (very small apperture terminal) stations on a pilot basis for approximately 80 tribal villages in Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, and Maharashtra.

- The initiative aims to provide Internet services to geographically remote tribal villages that have been historically difficult to connect due to challenging terrain. It will facilitate e-governance and improve connectivity in remote areas.
- Apart from this, the Ministry also discussed proposals for partnerships with institutes such as <u>AIIMS</u>
 <u>Delhi, IIT Delhi, IIM Calcutta</u>, and <u>IISc Bengaluru</u>.
 - Partnerships with AIIMS Delhi include conducting advanced research on tribal health issues, particularly on <u>Sickle Cell Anaemia</u>.
 - Additionally, plans are in place to establish a training facility with the <u>Indian Institute of</u>
 <u>Science</u> in <u>Bengaluru</u> to offer courses on <u>semiconductors</u> to tribal students.

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