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Trifood Project of TRIFED



TRIFOOD Scheme is a joint initiative of Ministry of Food Processing Industry, Ministry of Tribal Affairs and TRIFED. Under this scheme a tertiary value addition center will be set up in Jagdalpur in Chhattisgarh and Raigad in Maharashtra at a cost of approximately Rs.11 crores.

TRIFOOD Scheme, implemented in the backdrop of VanDhan Yojana will promote value addition

to Minor Forest Produce (MFP). The units are envisaged to be professionally operated by reputed food processors who will operate the facilities for a designated period of time under the overall administrative control of TRIFED so that the assets created are efficiently commercially utilised as per its installed capacities and designed objectives.

In the process creating local employment opportunities for the tribal communities and providing entrepreneurial opportunities in terms of raw material linkages to the units.

About 25% of total raw materials is expected to be sourced locally from the identified Vandhan SHGs/Vandhan Kendras in the catchment areas as per the grade and quantity requirement, consistently for period of 5 years.

TRIFOOD aims to enhance the income of tribals through better utilization of and value addition to the MFPs collected by the tribal forest gatherers. To achieve this, as a start, two Minor Forest Produce (MFP) processing units will be set up.

The unit in Raigad, Maharashtra that will be used for value addition to mahua, amla, custard apple and jamun and will produce mahua drink, amla juice, candy, jamun juice and custard apple pulp. The multi-commodity processing centre in Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh will be used for the processing of commodities like mahua, amla, honey, cashew, tamarind, ginger, garlic and other fruits and vegetables.

These would be made into mahua drink, amla juice, candy, pure honey, ginger-garlic paste and fruit and vegetable pulp. TRIFED's efforts in particular in this project, which not only ensures the bio-diversity but also forges backward and forward linkages, while promoting the development of the tribals.

TRIFOOD project in Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra is an attempt to offer a comprehensive development package for tribals by promoting, employment, incomes and entrepreneurship.