

Q. What is Van Dhan Yojana? How will it be a milestone for tribal welfare?

Ans. Van Dhan Yojana is one of the flagship schemes of the NDA-led govt. which was launched on the occasion of birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in 2018.

It aims to add quality to the self employment opportunities in tribal areas by developing training centres in dedicated regions. Also, by the help of PPP (Public Private Partnership), the produced items will be marketed on national & international levels. Further, it would empower the Self Help Groups, particularly in remote tribal regions which would make them more efficient.

Tribal people, due to lack of marketing knowledge & business dealings with persons outside are

subjected to various frauds & misuse. To empower them & take great advantage of their inherent skills, Van-Dhan scheme will prove to be a success.

Also, sometimes the products produced by the tribal people are quite unique but they lack in quality. Therefore, the value addition of products would also be taken into account.

Therefore, Van Dhan Yojana would become an important milestone not in the livelihood of tribal people but also in the collection & utilization of MFPs (Minor Forest Produce) which would help in accomplishing the goal of sustainable development.

It is a commendable step towards the empowerment of tribal people. A lot of attention is being paid to the welfare of tribal people. The government is taking various steps to improve the living standards of tribal people. The Van Dhan Yojana is one of the many such initiatives. It is a great step towards the empowerment of tribal people. It will help them to improve their living standards and to take advantage of their inherent skills. It will also help in the collection & utilization of MFPs, which will help in accomplishing the goal of sustainable development.