Internet in Remote Tribal Villages (VSAT)

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Recently, The **Ministry of Tribal Affairs** plans to collaborate with the **Indian Space Research 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 AIIMS Delhi**,** IIT Delhi**, IIM Calcutta,** and **IISc Bengaluru**.
  - Partnerships with **AIIMS Delhi** include conducting advanced research on tribal health issues, particularly on **Sickle Cell Anaemia.**
  - Additionally, plans are in place to establish a training facility with the **Indian Institute of Science** in **Bengaluru** to offer courses on semiconductors **to tribal students.**

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