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New project to collect SC/STs data

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PALAKKAD: Minister for Electricity and Welfare of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes A.K. Balan inaugurated the data-collection process of SC and ST clusters of the State at a function in Kannadi grama panchayat, near here, on Saturday.

Details of members of the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe communities will be collected throughout the State to ascertain whether welfare measures are reaching the target group or not, the Minister said.

Survey

The survey will be conducted in the 13,649 identified colonies in the 999 grama panchayats, 53 municipalities and five corporations of the State. The survey will be conducted by the Local Administration and SC and ST Welfare Departments.

Colonies

It will be conducted in areas where five or more SC/ST families are residing. The site will be considered a colony.

The meeting was presided over by district panchayat president Subida Isahaq and M.B. Rajesh, MP, was the chief guest at the function.