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house may have 2 living rooms, a drawing room, kitchen and a toilet block. The building material and the architectural design shall be as per the approved pattern of the Administration.

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The Settlement may have proper drainage for both-water and storm-water apart from sewerage. There could be a common dumping ground at suitable place away from Settlement for bio-degradable and non-bio-degradable refuse separately. The Settlement may have a playground and also a Disaster Survival Place on high ground where a Helipad could also be laid for emergency evacuation etc.

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The construction of houses for Andamanese and others is likely to take some time. Therefore a temporary shelter could be raised at the high ground for the Andamanese on Strait Island. A temporary shelter could be in the form of a large Community Hall with make-shift partition to accommodate individual families. There are 11 Andamanese families at present. The Community Hall shall have toilet blocks and kitchen blocks. The Andamanese will vacate this Community Hall once the houses are built for them. After removing the make-shift partitions, the Community Hall could be utilized by them for the usual community purposes.

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The APWD can take up the construction of the Community Hall immediately along with sinking of drinking water wells. Accordingly, we may request APWD to initiate action.

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With a view to engage the Andamanese in constructive activities and divert them from undesirable activities of drinking the liquor and loitering. The leisure time of Andamanese staying in the Adibasera relief camp is proposed to be fruitfully utilized by engaging them in the activities like making handicrafts. This will be in addition to the other camp activities like cooking, maintaining the camp environment clean and healthy. The Andamanese handicrafts of small bows and arrows, model canoes, ornaments made of shell and pandanus leaves etc will find a ready market. The matter was discussed with the officers of the ASI, Port Blair. There is a shop in the Museum building of ASI through which the handicrafts could be sold and sale proceeds could go to the Andamanese.

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The required raw materials for the handicrafts could be made available to the Andamanese by the Administration. The raw materials including minor forest produce like bamboo, cane, soft wood, permitted dead shell, etc. could be made available with the help of Forest, Industries and Fisheries Departments.

Many of the Andamanese are addicted to liquor consumption. The A & N Administration (Police Department as nodal agency) has launched de-addiction camps for the people of A & N Islands in association with a NGO. Earlier, Andamanese could not benefit from such camp organised at Port Blair since it