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**Project to be submitted to Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment  
Govt. of India.**

**Title of The Project : Health Care for Jarawas and Other Primitive  
Tribes of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.**

**1. AIMS**

To provide effective health care to Jarawas and other primitive tribes of A&N Islands. Most of the communities including the primitive tribes do have their own health care system, which may turn out to be not so effective with a change in the ecological conditions including the contact with other human groups. Once isolated Communities are likely to be susceptible for introduction of new diseases when they come in contact with other human groups and their ethno-medicine would not be able to tackle such foreign ailments.

Such situation has developed in respect of the Jarawas and other primitive tribes of these Islands. Therefore, it has become necessary for the Govt. / Administration to take care of these once totally isolated tribes, so that they do not become the victims of change in the ecology.

It is a very sensitive issue to provide medical care to the Jarawas and other isolated primitive communities since it involves taking a decision with regard to the very approach, administering of medicines, modalities of health delivery system etc. So it demands a conscious decision with the participation of not only the medical experts but also social scientists, Anthropologist and to an extent the target groups themselves.

This is possible only when we have access to their habitat with well equipped Hospital ship with all medical facilities comprising Doctors with necessary staff, operation theatre, laboratory facilities and medicines apart from the availability expertise of Social Scientists like Anthropologist. It is, therefore, proposed to procure one vessel with all the facilities.