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Agenda Item No. 1: Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the meeting of the counsel held on 21.08.2014 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, A&N Administration and confirmation of the minutes :

The Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the meeting of the Executive Counsel of AAJVS was placed before the members/special invitees and in absence of any comments/suggestions the minutes of the meeting held on 21.08.2014 were taken as confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2 : Minutes of the meeting of Expert Committee held on 8th January 2015 at New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs :

The Secretary (TW) apprised the members/special invitees of the discussions held in the meeting of the Expert Committee in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India on 08th January, 2015 wherein the action taken by the Administration on the implementation of the policy of Jarwa Tribe of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, 2004, progress on second phase of study on Jarwas to ascertain their free bill, formulation of draft policy for Shompen and policies for other PBTGs of A&N Islands were explained to the Expert Members of the Committee. He further informed about the discussion held on the protocol approved by the Administration for Central navigation of Sentinel Island including the reservation express by some of the other members of the Committee in the said meeting and the suggestion made by the Secretary, MoTA for re-visiting the same. Secretary (TW) apprised the members that the revised protocol on circum navigation of North Sentinel Island had since been issued and a copy of the same made available to the Ministry for their record.

Agenda Item No. 3 : Observations made by Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs in his tour note of A&N Islands during the period with effect from 4th to 7th February, 2015 :

It was informed that Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs had been on tour to these Islands and paid visits to Campbell Bay, Chingam Village, 16 KM Point on East West Road, Laful Bay etc. During his visit he had made certain observations/suggestions for betterment of the living conditions of the Tribal communities residing in the areas. The observations so made by the Secretary, MoTA was also brought to the kind notice of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor who had called for the Action Taken Report from the Department/Agency concerned. The Secretary (TW) informed the members present in the meeting the copy of the said tour note had been circulated to all Department/Agencies concerned for taking follow up action and submission of Action Taken Report for apprising the Hon'ble Lt. Governor and onward submission to the Secretary, MoTA. It was requested by him that the ATR be submitted to the Tribal Department urgently for proceeding further in the matter.

(Action: All concerned departments)