advisable to survey them by deputing the team to Jarawa area to capture the information with regard to the situation among the Jarawas in the post monsoon period of the year. In other words this may have to be done during December 2002.

- 9 Shri K. B. Saxena further drew attention of the members of the Committee to the fact that Members of the Composite Groups belonging to different disciplines did not stay in the field continuously for a period of one month together. He emphasized the need and desirability of staying together continuously by the members of the Composite Groups in the field. The very purpose and philosophy of sending the Composite teams was to ensure the multi-disciplinary interaction during the survey.
- 10 Hon'ble Lt. Governor sought the views of others in the matter of staying together for the entire period of the field survey to come to a decision.
- Dr. Thulasidasan, a DHS nominee of the composite group, was of the view that it may not be necessary for the medical and nutritional members of the team to continue to stay along with the members of the Anthropological Survey of India, Forest Department and others for a fixed period once their part of the survey was completed. He further mentioned that clinical observation of the Jarawas, collection of the blood samples etc could be completed within a shorter duration. Dr. T. K. Pal Joint Director, Zoological Survey of India was of the opinion that the Resources survey team may have to stay even longer than the Anthropologists to cover the task.
- Dr. R. K. Battacharaya, Director, Anthropological Survey of India was of the view that it was not necessary for all the members of the composite group to continue to stay in the field for a fixed period. He was of the opinion that the members of the team completed the given task properly and scientifically could be allowed to come back from the field.
- Shri K. B. Saxena, at this point, reiterated the philosophy and the need for the entire Composite Group to stay together for the full period during each phase of the study / survey. He mentioned that it was important that the Health and Nutritional observation are recorded carefully over the entire stretch of the respective phases of the field survey. While doing so the interaction with others of the team like Anthropologists would be necessary to record the correct and scientific observation keeping in view the very special Jarawa situation in which verbal communication still continues to be a