- Professor Indira Chakraborthy of All India Institute of Hygiene and Public health dealt in detail the questionnaire prepared by her on the nutrition aspect. She mentioned that it is necessary to provide funds for the officials / Officers of her Institute to travel to Andamans to provide expert guidance to the members of the Composite Group and train them.
- 8. Shri S. A. Awaradi, Director (Tribal Welfare) suggested for the periodical review of the work being done by the Composite Group in the field. Doubts if any encountered by the Composite Group also need to be cleared by the Expert Committee.
- 9. The funds required for the Expert Committee and the related matters needs to be worked out and the same is to be taken up with the Government of India. The Central Government is required to meet the financial requirement in accordance with the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta. The sanction of the budget / allocation of the funds by the Central Govt. may take some time but funds would be required urgently as projected by Professor Indira Chakraborthy of All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health.
- The Director (TW) mentioned that the Government of India releases funds under Special Central Assistance to the Administration to meet the expenses towards various developmental activities among all Scheduled Tribes including for the welfare of the Primitive Tribes. AAJVS gets the funds under Special Central Assistance as grant-in-aid released by A&N Administration. During the current year Grant-in aid out of Special Central Assistance has already been released to the AAJVS as first installment. To meet the immediate requirement of the Expert Committee the fund available with the Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti could be utilized and the same could be reimbursed to AAJVS when the Government of India allocates funds for Expert Committee. A reference to above effect could be made to the Government of India for necessary action.
- 11. Shri S. A. Awaradi, Director (TW) placed before the Committee the issue regarding the scrutiny / suggestion by National level experts before the same are finalized. Further the Director (Tribal Welfare) suggested for finalization of the schedule of the field work by the Composite Groups.