

• **INSPECTION NOTE**

20. As approved by the competent authority I performed the official tour to Strait Island on 30.6.2012 by M.V.Shompen accompanied by the officers mentioned below namely:

- 1) Shri Suresh Chand Meena, Asstt. Commissioner, Tribal Welfare
- 2) Shri Pushparaju, Executive Engineer, APWD
- 3) Shri C.Vasu, Assistant Engineer, APWD
- 4) Shri D.K.Pandey, Executive Engineer, ALHW
- 5) Shri Wilson, Junior Engineer, Strait Island, APWD
- 6) Shri Anbu, Junior Engineer, Havelock, APWD
- 7) Smti Sandhya, Janjati Sevak, AAJVS

21. On reaching Strait Island at about 10.30 AM, I inspected along with the team of officers, the Government Pharmacy, Govt. School, old settlement area and the new settlement area. We interacted with the tribals and the officials posted in Strait Island of various Govt. Departments. I also inspected the place where a new jetty was proposed to be constructed. Captain Kamaraj and Chief Engineer Shri Yousuf of MV Shompen were also present during inspection. According to them, the length of the proposed jetty should be a minimum of 50 mtrs, since the length of a speed boat would be about 40 mtrs. Executive Engineer, ALHW submitted that he would take up with the Harbour Master and revise the estimate accordingly. Also the approach road to the jetty needs strengthening/restoration.

22. During inspection, the Tribals made the following demands namely:

- ✓ 1) Early handing over of Tsunami resettlement houses to tribals. ✓
- 2) Early construction of jetty. ✓
- 3) Construction of a Helipad for emergency landing.
- 4) Provision of BSNL Tower for mobile connectivity.
- 5) Provision of 24x7 Power Supply (at present it is only 12 hours). ✓
- 6) Assistance to put up Kitchen garden.
- ✓ 7) Community Hut in an open space in the model of waiting hall available near the Jarawa Ward, Kadamtala PH. ✓
- 8) Repair of Street Lights. ✓
- ✓ 9) The Tribal children studying in Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya are to be given extra tuition to improve their academic performance. ✓
- ✓ 10) Repair of the old settlement where the tribals are now living. ✓