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**TOUR NOTE OF SECRETARY (TW) ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICERS OF  
LINE DEPARTMENTS OF A&N ADMINISTRATION TO STRAIT  
ISLAND ON 12/12/2009**

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The Secretary (TW) accompanied by a team of Officers from APWD, Health, Electricity departments and AAJVS visited the Great Andamanese settlement of Strait Island by MV Shompen on 12/12/2009.

The list of Officers is enclosed at Annexure "A".

The team left Port Blair by MV Shompen at around 06:15 hrs and reached Strait Island by 0900 hrs. Hundred units of poultry birds with feed were also carried for the Great Andamanese.

The Chief of Great Andamanese, Smti. Surmae greeted Secretary (TW) and other Officers at the Jetty and led them to the Island.

The Secretary (TW) inquired about functioning of lights on the Jetty. The Plantation-in-Charge, AAJVS informed that the Officials from Andaman Harbour Worked visited Strait Island and repaired the defective lights. He added that the street lights in the Great Andamanese settlements have also been repaired and set right by Electricity Department.

Thereafter, Secretary (TW) inspected the ongoing construction works for permanent settlement of the Great Andamanese in the new site. The Assistant Engineer, APWD informed that the following civil works are being executed by their department:-

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| a) 01 no. Construction of Community hall             | :- Civil work completed. |
| Electrification and water supply to be taken up.     |                          |
| b) 11 no. Type III quarters for the Great Andamanese | :- In finishing stage    |
| c) 06 no. Type III quarters for A&N staff            | :- In finishing stage    |
| d) 01 no. room for Police Barrack                    | :- 50% complete          |

Sub-Works under taken:-

- a) 250 meters footpath; work completed
- b) 3 nos. RCC ring well; work completed
- c) 5 nos. RCC retaining wall work completed
- d) Katcha approach road; work completed
- e) 2 nos. RCC culvert; work nearing completion