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It was decided that AAJVS may continue its work from the Jarawa Protection Post in Tirur.

(Action: AAJVS and Police)

Agenda point no: VIII. Draft Shompen Policy & observations of A&N Administration.

The draft Shompen Policy prepared by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and comments of A&N Administration on the policy was placed before the house for confirmation.

It was resolved to wait for response from Government of India.

Agenda point no: IX. Construction of Shompen Hut Complex at 16 KM East-West Road

The Secretary (TW) informed the house that presently, AAJVS is implementing welfare programs for the Shompen from Campbell Bay which is not advisable due to various reasons. Therefore, there is an urgent need for establishment of Shompen Hut at 16 KM point on East-West Road.

The Chairman enquired who would stay in the Complex.

Secretary (TW) replied that AAJVS staff would stay in the complex during Office hours and implement the welfare schemes. She added that the cost of the hut is Rs.1.81 lakhs and the estimates submitted by Forest department have been sanctioned.

PCCF informed that a proposal for allotment of land for the complex may be submitted. Hon'ble Lt. Governor is the competent authority for the same.