

#### **4.1 PA Network- Revised report of WII, based on the recommendation of the sub-committee of the SBWL:-**

The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised the Board on action taken on this matter. The Board desired that the proposal for clustering of existing Sanctuaries and National Parks approved during the last Board meeting should be put up early by Forest Department for Govt. approval. The Chairman emphasized that the proposal for clustering should be accompanied by proper mapping. He also asked the department to submit a proposal regarding realistic assessment of Protected Area. The Board also suggested to constitute a local committee to strengthen protection mechanism of the existing Sanctuary/National Park.

*(Action- Forest Dept.)*

#### **4.3 SCUBA diving outside the PAs:-**

The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised the Board that SCUBA diving guidelines has already been formulated for Andaman and Nicobar Islands by the Tourism Dept.

#### **4.4 Appointment of Honorary Wildlife Warden:-**

The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised the Board that no nomination has been received for appointment of Honorary Wildlife Warden. The Chairman desired that the Administration may consider nominating suitable person as Honorary Wildlife Warden as per the guidelines provided in the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

*(Action – Forest Deptt)*

#### **4.6 Forest Out post/coastal security/ greater involvement of Forest Officers who are already posted in remote locations including Tillangchong:-**

The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised that Police Department is opening a Look-out Post for which a barrack accommodation for ten police personnel is being constructed. The Board desired that a forest camp should also be established in Tillangchong side by side with LOP to check poaching of marine life. The Chairman desired that pre-fabricated materials could be used for construction of barrack/camps instead of concrete based construction.

*(Action- Forest/Police)*

#### **4.7 Strengthening of the Wildlife Wing, wildlife research/ monitoring and awareness:-**

The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised about the action taken on the decision taken in the last meeting of the Board regarding construction of resort near Lohabarrack Sanctuary. He