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Note from 33/N to 45/N may kindly be perused.

As per the inspection of Strait Island by a team of officers as at 69/C a ground/ridge located at the back of the existing Solar Power Plant has been found to be suitable for new settlement. The land is stated to be about 30 mtr above the sea level and 500 meter away from high tide mark. Temporary shelters may be set up by constructing large hall and providing temporary partition to carve out dwelling units for individual families. Separate Kitchen and toilet block will also be provided. Construction of the unit shall be as per the design and specification approved by the committee of experts from the GOI. The drinking water needs for the settlers will be met by digging well in the vicinity by APWD. The APWD should accordingly submit estimate for the works to be undertaken.

The Andamanese families for whom houses is proposed tobe constructed are staying in Relief Camp at Adibasera. Apart from cleaning and cooking within the Relief Camp, they appear to be idle and have evinced interest to carry on some activity to keep them engaged for the day. Department has accordingly suggested for providing raw materials to them to prepare handicrafts items which could be sold from shop in Museum building with sale proceed given to Andamanese.

For kind approval.

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