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Proposal contained in the file is regarding allocation of additional fund to meet the outstanding bills of electricity department for street light provided in the tribal areas.

Proposal was earlier examined by Finance and observations recorded at page 4/note may kindly be seen. Though the period of one year has already been elapsed, the replies to observations of Finance have not been furnished. As per para 16 (iii)/note, Tribal Welfare department was requested to intimate whether the amount required for the purpose has been reflected in any one of their scheme under Tribal Welfare Sector. It was also mentioned that in case appropriate provision does not exist, it may kindly be intimated whether the department is contemplating to include the same in near future as desired by the Chief Secretary.

It is further mentioned that no provision for the purpose has been included under Non-Plan either by the Deputy Commissioner (Nicobars) or the Director of Tribal Welfare. Moreover, the Revised Estimates 2000-2001 and Budget Estimates 2001-2002 (both Non-Plan) have already been finalised and sent to Government of India long back and there is no further scope to include the same during the current year as well as in the next year. Moreover, the Government of India has already issued instructions for 10% cut on non-salary non-plan expenditure. It may, therefore, not be possible to locate saving at this stage.

The Director of TW may be requested to include the provision in the next years Annual Plan 2001-2002 under appropriate existing schemes in consultation with the Planning Department.

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