

Against the outlay of Rs. 82.40 lakhs provided for the welfare and development of Primitive Tribes consisting of Jarawas, Sentinelese, Shompens, Onges & Great Andamanese during the financial year 2000-2001, an amount of Rs. 116.43 lakhs was spent. So far as the Jarawas are concerned there was a provision of Rs. 13 lakhs against which an amount of Rs. 23.40 lakhs including pay and allowances of staffs was spent.

3) **To allow Jarawas to mingle with the non-tribals and to send the representative to check the situation in the Jarawa area:**

Experts from the Anthropological Survey of India are conducting studies on various aspects like health profile of Jarawas, food availability, their habitat, their socio-cultural aspects and so on. From time to time this organization is advising the A&N Administration on matters concerning the Jarawas.

A Research and Development Cell has been constituted to advice the administration on matters concerning the Jarawas. Besides a Task Force Committee has also been constituted to make a continuous assessment of field situation by carrying out extensive tours of the Jarawa area and also to handle the Jarawa situation within the ambit of broad policy decisions of this administration.

The Administration is presently involved in the following important area: -

- (a) To understand the spoken dialect of Jarawas. The central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore has worked out in this direction and a dictionary has already been prepared;
- (b) To enrich the Jarawa area by teaching the Jarawas to plants fruit trees etc. to be they are used to;
- (c) To teach them fishing by use of nets;