

Administrative Section of the Secretariat to have the approval of the proposal expedited so that the targets are achieved.

(Action- RCS)

11. Education:

Out of an outlay of Rs. 502.00 lakhs, an expenditure of Rs. 99.32 lakhs was incurred upto Sep'99 which is 19.78%. The Assistant Director (Planning) was asked to submit the Action-Plan for incurring the remaining unspent plan allocation immediately.

(Action - DE)

12. Road Transport:

Out of an outlay of Rs. 30.00 lakhs, an expenditure of Rs. 8.91 lakhs was incurred upto Sep'99 which is 29.70%. The Mechanical Engineer informed that an estimate for construction of Bus garage and works shops at Car-Nicobar had already been approved and the work is likely taken up by APWD shortly. Further construction of work shop at Katchal was in progress.

13. Water Supply:

Out of an outlay of Rs. 80.00 lakhs, an expenditure of Rs. 24.09 lakhs was incurred upto Sep'99 which is 30.11%. When asked about the drinking water facility on Chowra Island, the EE (Planning) stated that a desalination Plant had already become functional. The ground water is being purified for drinking purpose. However, during rainy season, rains water from roof tops being collected is adequate to meet the requirement of water of the tribal population. So the purified water from the desalination plant is to be used during the dry season.