3. Welfare of SCs and STs:

An expenditure of Rs. 41.04 lakhs was incurred upto Jan'2000 against an outlay of Rs. 50.00 lakhs. When asked about the progress of the office of the Tribal Welfare Department / OBCs Commission, the representative of the APWD informed that the building is likely to be completed by the end of June'2000.

4. Road & Bridges:

An expenditure of Rs. 195.43 lakhs was incurred upto Jan'2000 against an outlay of Rs. 200.00 lakhs. The representative of the APWD informed that there will be further expenditure of Rs. 40.00 lakhs on road works during the current financial year. Altogether 13 kms. roads are to be completed at different places in the tribals area. So the expenditure under this sector will be exceeding the outlay.

5. Water Supply and Sanitation:

An amount of Rs. 38.64 lakhs was spent upto Dee'99 against an outlay of Rs. 100.00 lakhs. Further an amount of Rs. 25.00 lakhs is likely to be spent in Feb'2000. The following are the important water supply works viz. replacement of pipes and overhead tank at Kimeos village, Car-Nicobar at a cost of Rs. 13.61 lakhs, construction of overhead tank with 46,000 litres capacity at Chukmachi at a cost of Rs. 18.70 lakhs, ring wells, one each, at Pilolo in Little Nicobar, Allurong in Teressa, Hatnaik in Katchal are in progress.

6. Housing:

A amount of Rs. 58.35 lakhs was spent upto Dec'99 against an allotment of Rs. 50.00 lakhs in the RE. Another 15.00 lakhs is likely to be spent during the remaining months of the current financial year. The following residentail accommodation viz. 10 units two room accommodation at Katchal, 6 units at Teressa and 12 units at Car-Nicobar are in progress while 4 units at Katchal had already been completed.