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**SECRETARIAT.**

Port Blair, Dated the 8<sup>th</sup> Oct., 1996.

Dear Sh.

Kindly refer to your D.O letter No.14011/28/95-Sch. Cell dated 17th June 1996 regarding reasons for under-utilisation of Central Assistance during 1994-95 and for not incurring any expenditure during 1995-96 till Jan'96 under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric scholarship for students belonging to SCs and STs.

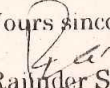
With regard to under-utilisation of funds during 1994-95, it is stated that the number of tribal students who applied for Post Matric scholarship was less than what was initially targeted; the scholarships were granted commensurate with the applications received for the purpose.

For the year 1995-96, the target was to provide Post Matric Scholarship to 101 tribal students. However, only 44 students submitted their applications for scholarships; their scholarships were released before the end of the financial year 1995-96 and an expenditure of Rs.20,020/- was incurred during the said year. The remaining 57 students submitted their applications after the end of the financial year 1995-96. Hence, they could not be paid the scholarships during the said year. Thus, out of a total grant of Rs. 1,29,000/- including Rs.68,000/- released towards modification of the scheme, an amount of Rs.1,07,980/- remained unutilised during the year, 1995-96.

While submitting the proposal to the GOI, for release of fund for the current financial year (1996-97) vide letter No. 9-2/Sch/PM/96-97/2232 dated 8/7/1996 of the DE, A&N Administration, an amount of Rs. 43,800/- has been asked for towards payment of arrears of scholarships to the ST students for the year 1995-96.

There are no SCs declared in relation to the A&N Islands.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,  
  
(Rajinder Singh)

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