

charges were also directed to carry fishing materials with them and issue to the tribes living in the isolated islands by conducting tours.

(iii) Training of one boy from each village on the above sectors and deputed back in his village with a consolidated pay of Rs.2000/-per month.

Training of one boy from each village on the above sectors can be given for three to six months in a batch of 10-15 and deputed back to their villages so that the islands can reap the benefits of the departmental schemes.

## **ANIMAL HUSBANDRY**

- (i) At present 9 Veterinary Hospitals, 11 Veterinary Dispensaries and 41 Veterinary Sub Dispensaries are functioning in various Islands for providing Veterinary Services in A & N Islands. In addition to the above Veterinary Camps, Mobile Veterinary Units are also provided to extend the Veterinary Services at the door step of the farmers. During the Xth five year plan two more Veterinary Sub Dispensaries will be established in Nicobar Districts for the benefit of the tribal population.
- (ii) For the benefit of the tribals at present two Veterinary Hospitals, two Veterinary Dispensaries five Veterinary Sub Dispensary, two Mobile Veterinary Dispensary Vans, three Govt. Poultry farms, two Hatchery Units; three Piggery farms are functioning for extending the Veterinary Services and providing inputs to the farmers in Nicobar group of Islands. Further, three more VSD's one each at Pillobhabi, Trinket and Pillomillow Islands have been proposed during the next annual plan programme i.e. 2003-04 for extending the Veterinary Services in the remote and far flung Islands in the Nicobars District.
- (iii) This programme has already been included in the annul plan / X<sup>th</sup> five year plan. Necessary action is being initiated to implement the programme to cover the remotest part of the Nicobar District so as to extend Veterinary Services to the unreached.