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courier service starts from Car Nicobar to Campbellbay the probably the same facilities can be taken up with Defence Authorities.

EDUCATION

Comments given in Agenda No.14 may kindly be referred to for details.

Lack of funds, non-availability of land, shortage of adequate manpower for construction activities, lack of teachers, remoteness of locations, lack of connectivity etc are some of the constraints in providing quality education. For construction and repair of quarters/class rooms sufficient fund allocation and strengthening of manpower for construction are essential.

Seventy three science and maths teachers are required as per requirement for the secondary and senior secondary schools in tribal habitations. Against those 73 teachers, only 60 science and maths teachers are posted and there is a short of 13 science/maths teachers. Those requirements are now managed by existing PSTs. Action for filling the vacant posts has already been initiated.

The Deptt is proposing to construct 40 quarters during the 10th Five Year Plan in tribal areas.

Honorarium & TA DA for the Members of Tribal Council

A draft Grant-in-aid to Tribal Councils have been prepared by the Administration and the Tribal Councils have been asked to submit proposals. The grant-in-aid will also cover payment of TA/D A and honorarium.