

3. Restoration air Service between Port Blair and Car Nicobar ~~and~~ new air service between Car Nicobar and mainland;

4. Opening up of a Engineering Technical Collage:

5. Telecommunication facilities should be provided at subsidised rate:

The issue regarding re-introduction of air service to Car Nicobar had been taken up with the Hon'ble Minister of Civil Aviation and Tourism, New Delhi, who has informed that it is not possible to re-introduce the service due to B-737 crew constraints.

Similarly it is not possible to introduce new air service between car nicobar and mainland at present.

Every year the seats for various professional courses including B.E. Degree and Diploma in Engineering in Various educational Institutions in the mainland are being allocated to this Administration by the Govt. of India of which, 20% seats are reserved for the scheduled Tribes of this Union Territory.

But the seats for engineering courses reserved for the STs have ^{almost} remained unutilised due ^{to} not availability of the ST students. During the last 5 years, only one ST student could be nominated to the B.E. Degree Course during the year 1992-93.

Therefore there is no justification for ^{opening} ~~opening~~ of a Engineering Collage at Car Nicobar.

The telecommunication department has decided to provide village public telephone to each village on concessional rate as under:-

- (1) No security deposit need be taken.
- (2) VPT will be treated as a local subscriber of the concerned exchange though it is linked by long distance medium.
- (3) Presently a concession of 50% is applicable to ~~change~~ for local & Trunk calls made from VPT.