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8.	Construction of transit Tribal Hostel at Port Blair.	1.00
9.	Grant-in-aid to Tribal Councils in Nicobar District	12.00
	Total	110.00

Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti (AAJVS) is a Registered Society under the Societies Registration Act constituted in 1976 to look after the welfare activities of primitive tribes of A & N Islands. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands is the Chairman while Chief Secretary, A&N Administration is Vice-Chairman of AAJVS. It has General Body and Executive Council, which meet periodically and lay down policies and programmes for the welfare and development activities of the Primitive Tribes. AAJVS has set up small units at the following places viz – Kadamtala for welfare of Jarawas, Strait Island for Andamanese, Dugong Creek and South Bay for Onges, Shompen Hut Complex, Great Nicobar to look after the welfare of the Shompens. Funds to the AAJVS were provided by the Administration in the form of grant-in-aid out of Special Central Assistance of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, as well as the UT's budget. As per the instructions of the Govt. of India, Planning Commission, the funds to the AAJVS are to be provided by the UT Administration from the UT's budget only w.e.f. 2003-2004.

The following schemes are proposed to be implemented for the welfare and development of Primitive Tribal Groups for the current financial year 2003-04 subject to release of Grant-in-aid to AAJVS by the Administration.

Sl.No.	Name of Scheme	Annual Plan 2003-04
1.	Welfare Programme for Shompens	17.75
2.	Welfare Programme for Onges	63.00
3.	Welfare Programme for Great Andamanese	27.70
4.	Welfare Programme for Jarawas & Sentinelese	86.00
5.	Strengthening & Maintenance of AAJVS	61.30
	Total	255.75

The Tribal Welfare Department functions as nodal agency for implementation of reservation policy for Scheduled Tribes, in Govt. service and it also functions as Nodal Department for implementation of schemes of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India. The Tribal Welfare Department acts as coordinating agency for A&N Other Backward Classes Commission.

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