In the Nancowy groups of Islands, only one youth had been provided financial assistance recently under the PMRY scheme. Due to financial constraints and lack of proper communication the tribal youths are unable to come to Port Blair to attend the PMRY camps, and avail the assistance under various schemes. Hence the PMRY camps may be held at least once in every six months for the Unemployed educated tribal youths of Nancowry groups of Islands so that many of them can come forward and take their benefits.

At the Nancowry Groups of Islands, various types of shells of commercial value are available in plenty, if a Shell craft training centre is commenced functioning, the tribals can learn the art of making shell handicrafts and which will also improve the economic conditions of the tribal youths. The Tribal Development Cooperative Society will also come forward to bear the salary and other allowances of the Master Craftsmen, who can impart training in shell craft to tribal youths.

Practical Fish Training and providing of Fishing Trawlers on Loan or lease basis:

There is a large potential for fishing in the Nancowry groups of Islands, for which the tribal youths may be provided adequate practical training in Machanised fishing by the resource persons of the Fisheries Department or from reputed institutes of the Mainland, and also Fishing trawlers of medium sizes be provided to the Tribal Development Cooperative Society Ltd on loan or lease basis, which will also provide sufficient employment to the tribal youths.

Transfer of Cashew Plantation at 5KM on Kamorta-Pilpillow road to Tribal Development Cooperative Society Ltd:-

The tribals has spared a land for raising of Cashew Plantation at 5 km on the Kamorta-Pilpillow road to the Agriculture Department. And during those days the then Lt. Governor, T.S.Oberoi, had informed the Late Rani Lachmi, that the department will handover the Plantation to the tribals during the yeilding stage. Now the plantation had been raised by the Agriculture department, and it is lying uncared. The Plantation may be transferred to the Tribal Development Cooperative Society Ltd, so that the tribals can look after the plantation and take the benefits of the yeild, which will also improve the economic conditions of the tribal community. The tribal youths also be sent for training in cashew processing to mainland.

Sir, I look forward for your kind and favourable action on the above mentioned demands on behalf of the tribal community of the Nancowry Group of Islands.

(Rasheed Yusoof)

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

Tribal Dev. Cooperative Society Ltd. Malacca, Nancowry.

Copy to:

Shri C.Mohammed, President, Unnathi, MB No:11, Foreshore Road, Haddo, Port Blair for information and with ref to the discussion in the General Body meeting held on 01.06.2000, and with the request to take up the above demands of the Tribal Development Cooperative Society Limited, Nancowry, with the administration.

(Rasheed Yusoof)
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