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Minutes of the meeting held in the Conference Hall of Secretariat under the chairmanship of Secretary (TW) on 7.2.97 to discuss the proposal for 9th Five Year Tribal Sub Plan 1997 - 2002 and Annual Tribal Sub Plan 1997-98.

The various sectoral heads of Andaman & Nicobar Administration were requested to formulate the Ninth Five Year Tribal Sub Plan 1997 - 2002 and Annual Sub Plan 1997 - 98 keeping in view of the instructions issued by the Ministry of Welfare & Planning Commission, Government of India and the suggestions made by the Deputy Commissioner, Nicobars, felt needs of the tribals as communicated by him. They were requested to formulate schemes for the welfare of primitive tribes also in view of the importance indicated by the Government of India.

The proposals for Tribal Sub Plan of various sectors were discussed in the meeting sector-wise and the following suggestions were made to include the sector-wise schemes.

1. AGRICULTURE :-

- (a) A specific scheme to raise the fruit bearing trees, vegetable gardens, etc., for the benefit of primitive tribes i.e. Onges at Dugong Creek and South Bay and Andamanese at Strait Island.
- (b) Coconut plantation for Andamanese at Strait Island.

2. ANIMAL HUSBANDRY:-

- (a) A scheme for the poultry farm at Strait Island for the benefit of Andamanese.
- (b) Goatery for Andamanese at Strait Island.