

Proforma-II

Details of SchemeDepartment: IndustriesSector: Village and Small Industries**1. Name of the Scheme:** Strengthening of Industries Department.**2. Objective:**

This scheme envisages strengthening of the Industries Department for effective implementation, co-ordination, monitoring of various schemes/ works by creating additional staffs/ construction/ purchases of updated modern office equipment.

The entire A&N Island is declared as industrially backward and attracts various incentives both under central as well as state sector. For the last few years the Islands have experienced vast changes and the industrialization has gained considerable momentum. But the pace of industrialisation in Nicobars District is considerably low. The department in order to give a boost has also launched various new incentive oriented schemes. It is targetted that 50 industrial units is set up in the Tribal belt of the UT in the next Five Year Plan.

To achieve the said targets in the next five year, and to implement various schemes of Adm. as well as GOI and other development agencies, the department requires strengthening with additional technical staffs.

In order to provide the benefits schemes being implemented by the Department/ Adm./ GOI and other developmental agencies it is essential that we have field staffs at the level of Extension Officer (Ind.) in each Block /Tehsil. Hence proposal of creation of new posts of Extension Officer (Ind.) have been made in the scheme.

Almost every Department of the Administration has a statistical cell/Bureau on regular basis for collection and compilation of various statistical data/reports. Collection of statistical data is one of the important aspect which requires immediate attention since it is with this data only we come to know of the present position of the Industrial Units functioning in the Islands, their problems and take remedial action for proper planning and frame policy decision accordingly. At present the Department is having a small census cell under centrally sponsored scheme. "Collection of Statistics of SSI" with an Assistant Director (Census) assisted with an Enumerator. The work being undertaken is to collect various data as regards to sample and diagnostic survey other statistical data. At present the work of collection and compilation of this data which cannot be done by one person is being got done by the Extension Officers (Industries) in addition to their works which is adversely effecting their promotional works.

In view of the above it is proposed to create a post of Statistical Assistant in the basic pay of Rs. 1400-2300 for Nicobars District on regular basis.

3. Physical and financial progress for 8th Five Year Tribal Sub Plan 1992-97

This is a New Scheme.