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May please peruse the office notes at paras 44-45/n on pre page. It is regarding formulation of Annual Tribal Sub-Plan 2000-2001. The Industries Department has submitted seven schemes with a total outlay of Rs. 41.90 lakhs for the Annual Tribal Sub-Plan 2000-2001 against an out lay of Rs. 27.35 lakhs provided under the Tribal Sub-Plan for the current year, 1999-2000. All are continuing schemes. There is an increase of 53.2 % over the outlay for the current year.

The schemes envisage strengththening of Industries Department by constructing office-cum-emporium building at Car Nicobar, infrastructural support, marketing assistance to Tribal by outright purchase of their handicrafts, stipends for advanced training of Tribals in mainland, conducting industrial awareness and motivational programme, purchase of machinery and equipments for the training Centre at Car Nicobar, purchase of stores and raw materials, development of Industrial state at Katchal, setting up of training-cum-production Centre in coir, rubber and cane in Katchal.

The schemes directly or indirectly aim at benefitting of the Tribals. Besides the department has submitted a scheme namely supply of improved tools, copra processessing equipments, palm climbing divice, motorised spinning ratts to Nicobarese, with an outlay of Rs. 1.00 lakh under special central Assistance of the Govt. of India on 50 % subsidy.

However, the Physical targets and achievements for 1997-98 98-99 havew not been incorporated in any of the schemes. Excepting that the schemes are found to be in order. Therefore they may kindly be approved for inclusion under Annual Tribal Sub-Plan 2000-2001. The Director of Industries will be requested to rectify the shortcomings while conveying the approval for submitting the revised schemes.

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