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**C) Other Initiatives by A&N Administration:**

**(i) Setting up of Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research & Training Institute (ANTRI).**

ANTRI has been made functional from 2.10.2013 and was formally inaugurated by **Hon'ble President of India** on 12.1.2014. First National Conference of ANTRI held on "THINKING FUTURES: THE PVTGS of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands" on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2014.

**D) Proposal which may be considered by IDA:**

The status of implementation of Jarawa Policy notified by the Central Govt in the year 2004 is being reviewed by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs periodically. The ANI Administration has recently set up Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research & Training Institute (ANTRI) to formulate tribal specific policy, based on the field requirements. The policy for the mongoloid tribe namely "Shompen" has recently approved by the Expert Committee of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt of India and is being notified. Though no specific proposal is suggested by the ANI Administration to be placed, the IDA may kindly be briefed about the above initiatives. Views of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs may also be obtained.

Secretary (Tribal Welfare)