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The Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research & Training Institute (ANTRI) has been set up vide Admn's Order No. 273 dated 16.8.2013 and made functional from 2.10.2013. The objectives of the ANTRI is to provide input to direct a research led welfare policy, work in partnership with indigenous communities, act as clearing house for research proposals and collect, conserve, preserve document, analyse & makes accessible, set up tribal museum and give training. Following the establishment of ANTRI a Research Advisory Board has been constituted with the following (i) Secretary (Tribal Welfare) as Convener (ii) Dr Kanchan Mukhopadhyay (iii) Prof Visvajit Pandya (iv) Prof T Subramanyam Naidu, Pondicherry University (v) Shri SN Awaradi and (vi) Shri Manish Chandi, ANET as members) The Board shall advise the Administration regarding the functioning of the ANTRI, coordinate and oversee the research activities of ANTRI and provide strategic inputs and also consider and recommend the research proposal received by ANTRI pertaining to the indigenous tribal communities and tribal areas. Manpower namely Research Associate (03), Librarian (01) and Computer AssistaAnt (01) were recruited on contract basis. The ANTRI was formally inaugurated by Hon'ble President of India on 12.1.2014)

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