

Revised Agenda Item 5:

Compensation to people whose land has been permanently submerged during Tsunami in A & N Islands.

Extract of the minutes	Action Taken Report as on 14.03.2014
<p>The A&NI Administration will send a comprehensive proposal to the Ministry of Environment and Forests spelling out the non-availability of revenue land and de-graded forest land and therefore the need for providing alternate forest land for distribution to the victims of Tsunami whose land had been permanently submerged under the sea. The proposal will be sent by 30th June, 2011. Ministry of Environment and Forests will place the matter before the relevant Committee/Authority in the Ministry for favourable consideration as in the case of coalmines and a decision will be obtained by 31st July, 2011.</p> <p>Action : A & N Island Administration, Ministry of Environment and Forests</p> <p>In the event of failure to obtain a favourable decision from the Ministry of Environment of Forests and pending decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter, the A&NI Administration will provide an option to the victims of Tsunami, whose land has been permanently submerged under the sea, to accept monetary compensation in lieu of the submerged land. The compensation amount will be</p>	<p>Action taken report on alternative land to tsunami affected farmers/tenants in lieu of submerged land:</p> <p>Proposal of the Administration is for seeking diversion of 118 hect. (107.26 Hect. + 10% for common facilities) Forest land in South Andaman for allotment to those who had opted for alternative land in lieu of submerged land.</p> <p>A & N Administration vide its letter No. CF/FCA/224/237 dated 05/10/2012 had requested the Conservator of Forests (Central), Eastern Regional Office Bhubaneswar, for diversion of 118.00 hect. (107.26 Hect. + 10% for common facilities) Forest land in the South Andaman for the purpose of allotment to those persons who had opted for alternative Land in lieu of submerged land.</p> <p>Shri S. Mohapatra, Conservator of Forests (Central), GOI, MoE & F, had asked for some information alongwith a deficiencies/additional documents vide his letter dated 06.12.2012 which are being attended to by the departments concerned. He had also visited the proposed site on 18.02.2013 and 20.02.2013.</p> <p>The District Administration, South Andaman and Forest Department are in the process of carrying out the Joint Survey for demarcation of land and counting of tree in Bimblitan and Ograbranj villages in South Andaman</p> <p>Cash compensation to tsunami affected farmers/ tenants in lieu of submerged land</p> <p>Ministry of Home Affairs vide letter dated 30.07.2012 had conveyed the approval for payment of compensation to the tsunami affected farmers/tenants @ Rs. 9.39 lakhs per ha. in lieu of submerged land of 1136.64 ha.. Cash Compensation is being disbursed to the affected farmers in lieu of their submerged land as per the rates/norms and other conditions prescribed in the above said letter dated 30.07.2012. An amount of Rs. 37.11 Crore have been disbursed to 957 farmers in South Andaman district and Rs 20.34 Crores to 350 farmers at Campbell Bay in Nicobar district respectively upto February 2014.</p>