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This is regarding furnishing of updated status on the Agenda Points/ proposed for discussion in the 14th Island Development Authority Meeting.

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It is submitted that the Deputy Secretary (IDA) vide Admn's letter No. 3-4(104)/IDA (2014-15) has forwarded the copy of MHA's letter seeking updated status on agenda items proposed for inclusion in the island Development Authority likely to be held shortly. A copy of the last updated status note has been sent for perusal and requested to furnish updated status note as on date by today i.e. 25.2.2015 for onward submission to the MHA.

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Further, it has also been informed that the Secretary (Plg) shall hold a meeting on 26.2.2015 at 9:30 AM in his chamber to review the updated status.

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The copy of last updated status note, as stated above is reproduced below: -

Point No. 5 Issues concerning the indigenous tribes of ANI i.e. Shompens, Jarawas and Sentinelese and establishment of Tribal Research Institute (ANI)

The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has furnished a brief on the policy on Jarawa tribe, draft policy on Shompens, Conservation-cum-Development plan for ANI & Establishment of Tribal Research Institutes.

Status:- Hon'ble President of India inaugurated the Tribal Research Institute named "Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research Institute (ANTYRI) on 12.1.2014 at Port Blair.

Decision to be taken by IDA: - Intervention of IDA is not required at this stage in Tribal issues. Hence may be dropped.

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It is submitted that this office has provided initially the information about Point No. 6 - Information about initiatives taken by the ANI administration for gradual mainstreaming of Jarawas as per the study conducted by Expert Group headed by Dr Visvajit Pandya and the polices vide this office letter dated 2.5.2014 (Page 218/c) in response to Administration's letter dated 3.3.2014 while finalizing the agenda items for the 14th IDA meeting (Page 216/c).