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ii) Cabinet Secretary and MHA to finalize the Cabinet Note to address the influx issues in ANI within two months.
(Action : Ministry of Home Affairs and Cabinet Secretariat)

iii) Ministry of Civil Aviation and A & N Administration to take necessary steps to operationalise International Airport with all facilities at Port Blair.
(Action : Ministry of Civil Aviation and A&N Admn.)

iv) Minister of Shipping alongwith Secretary and the MP's representing ANI and Lakshadweep to visit the islands to immediately address and sort out all pending issues related to shipping—delay in procurement of ships and construction of ports and jetties and transfer of control on ALHW to UT Admns.
(Action : Ministry of Shipping)

✓ v) Minister of Tribal Affairs to kindly look into tribal related issues of ANI and Lakshadweep and the Ministry of Tribal Affairs to finalise the Cabinet Note on the Tribal Councils in the ANI within one month.
(Action : Ministry of Tribal Affairs)

vi) Prime Minister expressed his unhappiness to learn that Tsunami rehabilitation housing would now be ready only by Dec 2008 implying that it would take 4 years to complete the job. Cabinet Secretary should personally ensure that this is not delayed any further.
(Action : Cabinet Secretariat)

vii) People's democratic aspirations should always be accorded primacy. PM said he would discuss the issue of local government and Legislative Assembly with the Chairman of the GOM, Shri Pranab Mukherjee. Bhaktaji should also discuss this with him. PM also said he had asked Shri Prithviraj Chavan, Minister of State to associate himself with this process.
(Action : PMO)

viii) Minister of State for Environment & Forests should personally look into the question of forest land. If there are court problems, then the matter may be specially brought to the Cabinet.
(Action : A&N Admn. and Ministry of Environment & Forests)

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.
