

Revised Agenda Item-4: Hard Area Allowance to employees posted in Lakshadweep

For the purposes of enabling the Ministry of Finance to take a decision in the matter, Ministry of Home Affairs will send a revised comprehensive proposal reflecting the relative geographical disadvantage of each island in the Lakshadweep archipelago for granting Hard Area Allowance to employees in the Lakshadweep Islands. The proposal will be sent by the 15th July, 2011.

[Action: Ministry of Home Affairs]

Ministry of Finance will sympathetically and expeditiously consider the proposal.

[Action: Ministry of Finance]

Revised Agenda Item – 5: Compensation to people whose land has been permanently submerged during Tsunami in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

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 has 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.

[Action: A&NI Administration and Ministry of Environment and Forests]

In the event of failure to obtain a favourable decision from the Ministry of Environment and 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 reworked on the basis of the extant rules/guidelines and the market value of land in locations adjacent to the submerged land parcels.