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[Action: A&NI Administration]

For this purpose, necessary funds would be provided by the Central Government.

[Action: Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Finance and Planning Commission]

✓ Revised Agenda Item – 6: Amendment of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956

The A&NI Administration will take immediate steps to notify the proposed amendments to the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 as approved by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

[Action: A&NI Administration and Ministry of Home Affairs]

Revised Agenda Item-7: Implementation of the recommendations by the Prof. C.R.Babu Committee

A&NI Administration will file an affidavit seeking permission of the Hon'ble Supreme Court to-

- a. allow selective forestry operations based on approved Working Plan and allow export of such timber as is harvested under the working plan; and
- b. remove, in a gradual manner, the plantations of exotic species and replace them with indigenous species for meeting local requirements of timber and non-timber forest produce (NTFP).

[Action: A&NI Administration]

The affidavit should be filed as soon as the Hon'ble Supreme Court reopens after the summer vacation.

[Action: A&NI Administration]

Minister for Environment and Forests will, in consultation with the A&NI Administration and the local Member of Parliament, assess the manpower and other logistic requirements of the A&NI Administration to prevent poaching and damage to the forests and other natural habitats in the A&NI. This exercise should be completed by 30th September, 2011.