Agenda item 1: Confirmation of Minutes and Action taken on the decisions/suggestions at the Tenth meeting of the Standing Committee IDA held at New Delhi on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2005.

4. The minutes of the Tenth meeting of the Standing Committee of IDA, held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2005 were confirmed. Deputy Chairman suggested that points in the Action Taken Report which are appearing as separate full fledged agenda items may be taken up systematically in the main agenda.

Minor Irrigation: Execution of Minor Irrigation and Drinking Water Schemes viz. Prem Bhadur Nallah, Swaroop Nallah and Korang Nallah

It was decided that Andaman & Nicobar Administration would urgently get the study completed by the Geological Survey of India, Kolkata on the Korang Nallah project in Middle Andaman and by NEERI on the other two projects viz. Prem Bhadur Nallah and Swaroop Nallah whose command areas were partially submerged after the Tsunami. MoEF to get the report of its Committee finalised for taking a view on the Flat Bay drinking water project.

(Action : Andaman & Nicobar Administration and MoEF)

## Posting of Specialist Doctors in Lakshadweep

6. Administrator, Lakshadweep, pointed out that Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Kochi had backed out of the proposed agreement to provide specialist doctors as they were having their own expansion plans. UT Administration is holding consultations with similar other reputed institutions in neighbouring States for deputing specialists to Lakshadweep. Deputy Chairman felt that on this and similar other serious issues, Member Secretary may hold a meeting with the UT Administrations, to arrive at a decision before the IDA meeting. The two MPs of the UTs may be apprised about the decisions taken at the meeting.

(Action: Planning Commission; Andaman & Nicobar Administration and Lakshadweep Administration)

Agenda Item 2 (a) Review of Status of Delegation of Powers to the Administration by MHA in conformity with PM's directions.

7. Member Secretary informed that delegation of powers for Tsunami related works has been approved and a similar exercise is required to be undertaken for regular delegation of powers. Deputy Chairman felt that this is an important matter which may be taken up in the IDA meeting. He asked both the UT Administration's to send their proposals to MHA who may seek, comments and suggestions from Planning Commission and other Ministries.

(Action: Andaman & Nicobar Administration; Lakshadweep Administration and MHA)