Universal primary education	
42. Has the State passed legislation for universal compulsory primary education? If so, what steps have been taken or are being taken to enforce it in Scheduled Areas and areas inhabited by scheduled tribes?	The UT Administration has enforced free and compulsory Primary education vide notification dated 22-8- 1959.This is applicable for the UT as a whole.
43. What has been the performance of the state in the field of universal compulsory primary education? Please support the answer with facts and figures. Have any difficulties been encountered in this regard? If so, please explain.	The UT has achieved good result under Universal Compulsory Primary Education. The literacy rate in A & N Islands is 81. 18% as per 2001 census.
44. What are the conditions necessary for the success of the scheme of universal compulsory primary education in tribal areas?	The present set up with incentive mentioned at point Nos. 31&32 to lure the children to schools have been found satisfactory.
45. What approach would you recommend in case of reluctant parents or reluctant children regarding attendance in school by the tribal children ? Would a punitive or incentivist approach be successful in tribal areas ?	The incentivist approach will be successful in tribal area. The existing scheme of providing incentives will be continued in the future too.
Financial Provisions	
46. Please give the number of schools run and expenditure incurred by the respective departments on the maintenance of schools for scheduled tribes in Scheduled Areas as well as outside.	There are 57 schools consisting of Primary, Middle, Secondary & Senior secondary schools run by the education department at present. The expenditure incurred by the department of Education during the 9th plan on maintenance of the schools in the tribal area is Rs.1140.30 lakhs.
47. Please give the Plan-wise, year-wise expenditure under the heads mentioned in question 2 and question 3 above. Also please add in the statement financial provisions for the Tenth Plan period.	<u>Year</u> — <u>Expenditure</u> 1997-98 — 179.57lakhs 1998-99 — 160.57 , 1999-0 — 282.72 " 2000-01 — 285.43 " 2001-02 — 232.43 " 10th Plan Outlay — 2465.60 "