

Allopathic system 18. Considering the over-all tribal situation, it appears that both the prophylactic and curative aspects in the field of tribal health are important but it is sometimes felt that the prophylactic aspect should have precedence over the curative. What methodology has the State Government adopted in this regard and why? If no methodology has been adopted, mention with reasons the views of the State Government.	The Health Dept. has given more importance to the prophylactic aspect than the curative even in case of Tribal Areas in this Territory as per the recent policy of Govt. of India. Universal immunization scheme for the infants and the children in the tribal areas under UIP programme is implemented, various National Health programmes like Anti Malaria Programme, TB Control Programme, Leprosy Control Prog., AIDS Control Programme, Blindness Control Programme, Goiter Control Prog., have been implemented in Tribal Areas under prophylactic Methodology in addition to the curative care through various health institutions.
19. At present, for tribal areas, the Planning Commission norms envisage a sub-centre for a population of 3,000 as against a population of about 5,000 in other areas, a primary health center for a population of about 20,000 (or where the tribal habitation is more than 5 km away from a health delivery center) as against the population norm of 30,000 for other areas. One out of 4 primary health centres is expected to be upgraded to a community health center with the specialties of medicine, surgery, gynecology and pediatrics and 30 beds to function as a referral institution in tribal areas in the country.	Taking into account the remoteness and isolation of the islands inhabited by the tribals, the norms of population for setting up of medical institution have not been followed strictly, for example a Sub-Centre has been set up for a population of 50 persons at Pillowmillow and a PHC for a population of 1500 at Teressa Island against the norm of 20,000 population and CHC at Nancowry for a population of 15,000 and a Dist. Hospital at Car Nicobar for a population of 26,000.