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Ans: An amount of Rs. 150/- per month is paid as stipend to each of the boarders in the hostel. There are no facilities for giving coaching to the weak Schedule Tribe boys and girls in the hostels. However, the said facilities are provided in the schools after the normal school hours.

9. Whether any survey/study conducted on the working of these hostels and recommendations therein, action taken its impact.

Ans : No survey has been conducted on the working of the ST hostels in this U.T.

Housing

10. Please state the number of house/house sites allotted in the State. Is it in comparison with SC/ST population percentage? Reasons for short fall, if any.

Ans: No house sites have been allotted to any category of persons including STs during the last 3 years. So, there is no question of comparison. H

Land

The largest tribe i.e. Nicobarese live in the Nicobar Island. The land is held by the Nicobarese under their own Traditional Customary Right. There is no revenue land worthwhile which can be allotted as a house site to the tribals. The Andamanese and Onges are settled by the Administration on Strait Island and Little Andaman Island respectively. They have been given constructed houses for their accommodation. The other primitive tribes i.e. Jarawas, Sentinelese and Shompens still continued to be hunting and gathering tribes.