

A & N Islands to look after the welfare and development of the primitive tribes. The Tribal Welfare Officer /Social Workers have been deployed at the primitive tribal settlements to look after their needs. The Tribal Welfare Officers/ Social Workers have been appointed with the educational background in Anthropology/Sociology.

The existing machinery for formulation and implementation of Tribal Sub-Plan in respect of the advanced tribe, that is, Nicobarese Tribes, is as under:

The Nicobarese tribes are inhabiting the Nicobar Islands. There is a separate District for Nicobar Islands headed by a Deputy Commissioner. There are two community development blocks in the District manned by BDOs and other usual staffs. The entire tribal area including a village – Harminder Bay in the Little Andaman Island is covered under ITDP. The ITDP is administered by a ITDA. The Deputy Commissioner is the chairman of the ITDA and officers of the Sectoral Departments are the members of the ITDA, apart from the tribal leaders. Tribal Sub-Plan area and ITDP area are coterminous.

Schemes under Tribal Sub-Plan are formulated by the Sectoral Departments which are discussed in the ITDA. The schemes are discussed in the District Planning Committee also. The schemes are finally approved at U.T level on the basis of discussions. The schemes so formulated are also discussed in the Planning Commission and Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The funds are allocated sector-wise as per the allocation communicated by Planning Commission.