

The Achievement for the last three years is as under :

Year	IRDP <i>No. of ST families</i>	JRY <i>No. of Mandays</i>	IAY <i>No. of Houses sanctioned</i>
1996-97	36	44900	192
1997-98	50	9311	197
1998-99	102	30082	68

- (e) What have been the type of schemes and the sectors in which IRDP benefits have been provided in the last 3 years. What has been the percapita investment under this programme.

Ans: Following are the type of schemes implemented by the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), Nicobars under IRDP.

- Supply of mechanised fishing boat with in-board engine.
- Supply of petty consumer item for petty Shop.
- Supply of Barbed Wire for fencing of agricultural farms.
- Supply of Sewing Machines with accessories.
- Supply of Bicycle with repairing kit.

The per capita investment on each family/ Beneficiary is Rs. 12,000/- under the programme.

Education

- 4 (a) Please state the problems and needs regarding education of SCs/STs. Whether the measures taken by the State Government and Central Government to meet the needs are adequate? Do you suggest any further schemes to strengthen the educational programme ?

Ans: Of the six (6) Scheduled Tribes of this U.T, five (5) are classified as Primitive Tribes and the sixth viz. the Nicobarese have entered the main stream of civilization. Their literacy percentage as per 1991 Census is