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Sub: Draft Plan programme for 2001-2002 - regarding.

The Annual Plan discussions in the past few years have been delayed for various reasons and the plan allocation has been made known to us when the first quarter of the financial year is nearly over. To rectify the situation the Planning Commission intends to finalise the Annual Plan for the year 2001-2002 well in time ie., before the commencement of the financial year so as to make the whole exercise of planning more meaningful. Accordingly the Planning Commission have drawn up a time bound schedule of meetings for the next Annual Plan according to which the discussions between Deputy Chairman and the Hon'ble Lt. Governor to finalise the Annual Plan 2001-2002 will be held on 22.11.2000. Prior to this, the State Plan Adviser dealing with this Union Territory would visit Port Blair for holding official level discussions on the Plan priorities and also for a better appreciation of the UTs perspectives. These official level discussions could be held sometime in the later part of October'2000.

The next year will be the last year of the 9th Five Year Plan. The scope of taking up new schemes next year would be limited. Departments may therefore not propose new schemes unless absolutely necessary. It would be desirable to focus more on prioritization of schemes and outlays which would enable a rational adjustment to final outlays. Recommending outlays which cannot be supported or justified needs to be avoided. The need to chalk out a realistic plan cannot be over emphasized. Chief Secretary has also stressed this in the coordination meeting of 6/9/2000. The proposals may not exceed by more than 10% of the approved outlays for 2000-2001 which will be communicated to you shortly. The work being voluminous and also time bound would require to be given right priority.

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