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PUC is letter dated 17.7.2002 received from Assistant Secretary (Plg), A & N Administration conveying approval of the Outlay of the Planning Commission for Annual Plan 2002-2003.

So far as the Tribal Welfare Department is concerned initially we proposed an outlay of Rs. 95.00 lakh for 8 schemes under Annual Plan 2002-2003. Subsequently following the discussion held on 11.6.2002 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Lt. Governor the outlay in respect of sector - Welfare of SCs, STs & OBCs was revised to Rs. 105.00 lakh. In fact the outlay was increased from Rs. 95.00 lakh to 105.00 lakh due to inclusion of a new scheme - Grant-in-aid to Tribal Councils in the Nicobar District. In this connection please refer to notes at para 11-14/n at page-7/n. Accordingly, the Annual Plan 2002-2003 with an outlay for Rs. 105.00 lakh was sent to the Special Secretary (Plg) vide this office letter dated 11.6.2002 at page 9/c.

Now the Planning department vide their letter 17.7.2002 (PUC) has conveyed an outlay of Rs. 105.00 lakh for 9 schemes under Annual Plan 2002-2003.

The scheme-wise break-up of outlay is given below:

Rs. in lakhs Proposed Outlay for Name of the scheme Scheme Plan 2002-Annual 2003 3 38.05 Strengthening of Directorate 1. of Tribal Welfare 1.10 additional of Grant 2. Tribal to scholarship Students. 20.00 Grant-in-aid to AAJVS 3. 9.70 of OBCs in Identification 4. respect of A&N Islands 3.00 Establishment of Vocational 5. skills (for training operation computer stenography) for tribals. 12.50 Establishment of Ashrams at 6. District and Towns level. 5.35 Tribal Research & Training 7. Institute. 5.30 Constr. of transit tribal hostel 8. at Port Blair. 10.00 Grant-in-aid to Tribal 9. Councils in Nicobar District. 105.00 Total