

## DETAILED PROGRAMME OF SCHEME

1. Name of Department : Tribal Welfare
2. No. & Name of Scheme : 1 (One), Strengthening of the Directorate of Tribal Welfare.
3. Objective / Justification

The Tribal population of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, as per 1991 census is 26770, which includes Andamanese, Onges, Jarawas, Sentinelese, Nicobarese and Shompens. The Major tribal population belongs to Nicobarese while the population of Primitive Tribes is very small. Sectoral development programmes for Nicobarese are formulated and implemented by various departments but periodical review and monitoring of progress of the schemes both at UT level and ITDP level occupies greater importance to ensure the benefits of the programmes accruing to the tribals and tribal areas. Besides, effective co-ordination at the ITDP level is required for implementation of the Schemes in the tribal areas. The feed back of data on implementation of the schemes to the Govt. of India is to be done at the Directorate level.

The following staffs viz. Statistical Assistant - 1, Programme Assistant (Comp.) - 1, Data Entry Operator-1, LGC-1, Daftry-1, Peon-2, PCC-1 & Safaiwala-1 for the Directorate of Tribal Welfare, Port Blair and HGC-1, LGC-2 and peon-1 for ITDP, Car-Nicobar appointed during the 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Plan period to monitor the progress of implementation of Tribal Sub-Plan, collection and compilation of Data are proposed to be continued during the Annual Plan 2002-2003.

As per the policy of the Govt. of India, the Planning process is to begin from the grass root level, i.e. PRI's level. The PRI's in the non tribal area are actively involved in formulation of the plan. Although there are no PRI formally constituted in the tribal area in the Tribal Councils of the Nicobarese, which may in course of time be accorded, status of PRI's have been consulted in the inter-active sessions held on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2001 in formulation of the Annual Plan 2002-2003 for the tribal area. This exercise may continue in future also.

As per the minutes of the DPC meeting held on 28/12/2000 at Megapode Nest, Port Blair, a survey to be carried out to collect the data about the following facilities in Nicobars so as to fix up the priorities. The unemployed Nicobari youths are to be engaged for such a survey.

- (1) Pantoons, (2) Jetties, (3) Power (4) Drinking water facilities (5) Water Treatment Unit (6) Requirement of a cargo boat to carry building materials (7) Housing (8) Health - TB Patient Care (9) To analyze the reason for maximum handicap birth (10) Small boat for marketing operations (11) Rehabilitation of un-defused Japanese Bomb victims (12) Quality Education.

A post of Accountant is also considered necessary for distribution of funds to various departments under Tribal Sub-Plan.

The provision for financial assistance for vocational / job training in the institutions in the mainland, financial assistance to serious tribal patients for treatment in the mainland, are proposed to be continued during the Annual Plan 2002-2003..

The Tribal Welfare Department is also required to meet the expenditure towards electric charges and maintenance of streetlights in the tribal area for which necessary provision is proposed during the Annual Plan 2002-2003 to meet the expenditure towards streetlight as there are no Panchayati Raj Institutions in the tribal area unlike the non-tribal area.

An ITDP at Car Nicobar with a Project Officer is functioning to co-ordinate implementation of Tribal Sub-Plan and monitoring of progress of implementation at the ITDP level.