

proposals of the documents. It is therefore proposed to procure a copier for the Directorate of Tribal Welfare. The ITDP, Car Nicobar is also to be equipped with modern equipments like computers, fax, copier and Xerox machine is proposed during the 10th Five Year Plan.

Every year a tribal couple is being sent to Delhi to participate in the Republic Day Celebrations every year for which necessary provision is proposed under 10th Five Year Plan.

An outlay of Rs. 162.25 lakh is proposed for the 10th Five Year Plan.

2. Grant of scholarship to tribal students :

Every year the tribal students go for higher / professional education in the mainland. At present there are as many as 13 Nicobarese tribal students are undergoing higher education in the mainland. They are being paid additional scholarship @ Rs. 300/- per month, that is, over and above the scholarship being paid by the Education Department, as an incentive. We anticipate considerable increase in the number of students for higher education during 10th Five Year Plan.

An outlay of Rs. 6.30 lakh is proposed for the 10 Five Year Plan.

3. Grant-in-aid to AAJVS:

An autonomous body is functioning to look after welfare of the Primitive Tribes viz. the Onges, Great Andamanese, Jarawas, Sentinelese and Shompen. It is fully funded out of the budget provision under sector - 'Welfare of Scheduled Castes, STs & OBCs' as well as the fund under Special Central Assistance provided by Govt. of India. We propose to continue this scheme in the 10th Five Year Plan.

An outlay of Rs. 125 lakh is proposed for the 10 Five Year Plan.

4. Identification of OBCs in respect of A & N Islands :

In terms of the Supreme Court Judgment dated 16.11.92 a permanent body, known as 'A & N Islands Commission for OBCs' has been constituted to classify the OBC in respect of A & N Islands since Feb., 1994. As it is a permanent body, which is proposed to be continued during the 10th Five Year Plan.

An outlay of Rs. 50.50 lakh is proposed for the 10 Five Year Plan.

5. Establishment of Vocational Training (for skills in computer operations and stenography for the tribals):

A Vocational Training Centre in computer has been set up at Car Nicobar during the 10th Five Year Plan. It is one year training course. A computer instructor has been appointed and posted to Car Nicobar to impart training in computer application to the tribal boys and girls. There are at present 19 tribal boys and girls undergoing training in computer