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To,
The Chief Secretary,
Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration,
Port Blair.

Subject : Annual Plan 1999-2000 - A & N Islands

Sir,

I am to refer to our fax message dated 31st May, 1999 wherein an outlay of Rs. 400.00 crore for the Annual Plan 1999-2000 for your UT was communicated. The outlay will be fully funded by the Government of India.

2. A statement showing the distribution of plan outlay among different heads and sub-heads of development is enclosed. The earmarked outlays and outlays for different components of Basic Minimum Services have also been indicated therein.

3. Out of 22 Schemes under the Port & Lighthouses sector 14 are new. The UT Admn. is advised to complete the on-going schemes on priority and thin spread of outlay over a large number of schemes should be avoided. The staff strength should be kept at a minimum level with reorganisation of port sector.

4. The UT Admn. has not provided details regarding ship acquisition. The UT Admn. should provide the details of ships under construction and their status alongwith schemewise (new and on-going) break up of outlay.

5. Some additions have been proposed in the sectoral outlays pertaining to the following sectors as indicated below:

- a) Water Supply & Sanitation to be raised to last year level of Rs. 19.61 crore.
- b) Soil & Water Conservation to be raised to last year level of Rs. 0.80 crore.
- c) Forestry to be raised to last year level of Rs. 4.21 crore.

These may be considered at R.E. stage.

6. The total outlay proposed under the Forestry sector is approved, however, schemewise outlay will be finalised later. The letter No. M-13018/3/99-E&F dated 12th October, 1999 from Secretary, Planning Commission to Chief Secretary, Andaman & Nicobar Islands refers in this connection.