

and Heads of the various Departments of the Administration and public representatives as its members.

Since the Scheduled Tribes are located in the remote islands, inadequate infrastructure is a major bottleneck for the achievement of Socio-Economic Development of the Tribes. Hence development of infrastructure in the Tribal areas requires greater attention. Accordingly, the following thrust areas have been identified during the Ninth Five Year Plan and suitable plan provision has been made thereto.

Name of the Sector	Provision in 9th Five Year TSP
1. Shipping	12643.50 lakhs
2. Education	2772.76 "
3. Health	1346.00 "
4. Housing	700.00 "
5. Power	479.62 "
6. Roads & Bridges	400.00 "

The total outlays for the Ninth Five Year Tribal Sub Plan is Rs. 21,364.474 lakhs as against an outlay of Rs 11,769.364 lakhs during the Eighth Five Year Tribal Sub Plan. The UT Plan for Ninth Five Year Plan is Rs. 1,53,500.00 lakhs. Thus flow of funds towards Tribal Sub Plan comes to 13.91%. The allocation is well above the minimum prescribed as per the norms i.e. the funds for the Tribal Sub Plan should atleast be proportionate to the Tribal population. Apart from this, Rs 701.30 lakhs has been proposed under Special