

Minutes of the 6TH RAB meeting held on 13/02/2015 in Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research and Training Institute

(1) 6th Research Advisory Board Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary (TW) in ANTRI on 13.02.2015 at 3.30 pm. The list of the members of RAB and others who attended the meeting is annexed to the minutes.

(2) The agenda of the RAB were discussed one by one and following are the minutes.

24.8.15 **Agenda No. 1:** Request of the Directorate of Census Operations, A & N Administration Islands regarding specification for linguistic field survey under the plan scheme "Mother Tongue Survey of India"

(3) The Deputy Director, the Directorate of Census Operations, A& N Islands, GOI explained in detail about the proposed linguistics field surveys under the Plan Scheme-Mother Tongue Survey of India of 2012-17. After detailed deliberation the RAB recommended for the survey to be conducted among the Nicobarese, Karens and Great Andamanese communities.

Agenda No. 2: Review of the documentation of cultural event of the Nicobarese of the Chowra Island. A task of documentation of cultural events like festival was given to Shri Manish Chandi, member of the RAB by the Tribal Welfare department with the approval of Chief Secretary.

(4) Shri Manish Chandi described the video documentation of cultural event of the Nicobarese of the Chowra Island that has been carried out so far. Shri Manish Chandi, Member of RAB was requested to script the concept of cooperation that is evident in the socio - cultural activities of the Nicobarese. He will send the detailed description i.e Aim, Objective, Purpose of the documentation within a month.

Agenda No.3: Discussion of note prepared by Shri Sandeep Sachdeva, Extension Officer, Tribal Welfare relating to issues of de-addiction among the Great Andamanese.

(5) The note prepared by Shri Sandeep Sachdeva Extension Officer, Tribal Welfare relating to issues of de-addiction among the Great Andamanese was discussed in detail. It was suggested that Shri Sandeep shall associate in the de-addiction program scheduled to be taken up by the Directorate of Health Services. The Deputy Director (Tribal Health) was asked to initiate action to undertake de-addiction campaign among the Great Andamanese.

