

ANNUAL PLAN 2007-2008**Detailed Programme**

Sub-Sector: Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes

and Other Backward Classes

Scheme No : 2 (Two)

1. Name of Department: Tribal Welfare

2. Name of Scheme : Grant of Additional scholarship to tribal students
for Higher Education

3. Whether continuing or New scheme : Continuing Scheme

4 Objective / Justification (in brief not exceeding 100 words):

The tribal students undergoing for higher / professional education in the mainland are paid an additional scholarship @ Rs. 500/- p.m. This is a sort of incentive towards higher / professional education. Besides the tribals are not well off to bear the cost of higher education in the mainland.

The tribal areas of this UT particularly Nicobar District, which is predominantly inhabited by the Nicobarese tribe had been hit by the earthquake and Tsunami these Islands on 26.12.04. Most of the tribal habitations have been washed away. Many of the tribal students lost their parents/guardians, so they have none to support them to continue their education. Keeping in view the above facts, the tribal students prosecuting undergraduate/postgraduate courses in the colleges of Islands are paid additional scholarship @ Rs. 500/- pm as approved by the Govt. of India vide their letter No. 17012/1/2006-Education dated 31st May'2006. This is in addition to scholarship being paid by the Education department.