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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs

Subject: Tsunami impact (26th December 2004) in A &N Islands, UT of Pondicherry and other coastal States of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Kerala –Relief, Rehabilitation and other follow up measures

The Tsunamis have caused extensive damage in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, the States of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu and UT of Pondicherry. Aftershock activity is still continuing and 131 aftershocks have been reported so far (120 between >5.0-6.0< and 11 are > 6.0 on Richter scale). The death toll is at 10,714. The total number of missing persons is at 5669 of which 5583 are from A&N Islands , who are feared to be dead. The details of deaths, missing and relief camps are given in the [Annexure](#).

2. The first phase of relief and rescue operations is over in affected States/UTs except A&N Islands where the dead bodies are being retrieved and cremated. The focus is mainly on providing temporary houses for those who have lost houses, provide wage employment, restore infrastructure and rehabilitate the affected people so that they can begin their normal lives. Now the provision shops and schools have started opening in Port Blair. 14,715 tents have been dispatched to the affected States/UTs of which 12,647 tents have been dispatched to A&N Islands . In addition, CGI sheets are being dispatched/delivered to the affected States/UTs for construction of temporary shelters. 46,375 GI sheets have already been dispatched till 13.1.2005. A order has been placed with Steel Authority of India Limited for supply of 2,94,000 CGI sheets which will be shipped to A& N Islands for construction of temporary shelters.

3. The fishermen of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu braving their grief have started fishing activity. The State Governments are making efforts for early resumption of normal life. Most of the schools in the affected areas have been reopened in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Pondicherry . Schools have also been opened in Port Blair. Relief camps have been closed in Andhra Pradesh and relief camps in Pondicherry , Kerala, Tamil Nadu and A&N Islands are providing cooked food. There is no report of any scarcity of food, water and medicines etc. Medical teams have been deployed in relief camps and hygiene is being maintained. There is no report of outbreak of any epidemic.

4. A total of 7268.01 MT relief materials have been dispatched/delivered to affected States/UTs of which 5208.67 MT (946.87 MT by Air, 3105.70 MT by ship and 1156.09 by Rail) has been dispatched/delivered to A&N Islands comprising of 1333.78 MT food items, 1161.64 MT drinking water, 164.55 MT medicines/disinfectant, 12,647 tents, 745 Gen. Sets, 82 Pump sets, 3 Desalination Plants and 5 vehicles.

5. The efforts of the Ministries/Departments of Government of India in brief may kindly be seen at <http://www.ndmindia.nic.in/tsunami2004/ministry.htm>

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ANNEXURE**MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
NDM DIVISION**Human lives lost in the wake of Tsunami/ Tide Wave in the Bay of Bengal- 26th December 2004

Name of States/ UT/	Districts/Islands	Population (Total for A&N/Affected for others)	Human lives lost	Total Persons missing inclgd fisher men	Persons moved to safer places	No. of Relief Camps/persons in the camps
A & N Islands	Bambooka	55	00	17	00	Evacuated
	Car Nicobar	20292	753	370	7791	53/12894
	Chowara	1385	41	15	13	Evacuated
	Great Nicobar/ Campbell Bay	7566	336	220	1687	14/4328
	Kondul	150	38			Evacuated
	Kamorta	3412	48	390	700	4/1476
	Katchal	5312	345	4310	277	3/3228
	Little Andaman	17528	50	15	4286	7/ 6569
	Little Nicobar	353	43			Evacuated
	Middle Andaman	54385	03			
	Nancowry	927	01	03		2/ 934
	Pilomillow	145	163			Evacuated
	Trinket	432	03	234		Evacuated
	Terassa	2026	50	9		9/3296
	South Andaman includes Port Blair	181949	05		3534	14/4603
	Strait Island	42	00	00	29	
	Total	295959	1879	5583*	18317	106/37328
Andhra Pradesh	Krishna	13061	27			
	Guntur	30700	12			
	Nellore	16578	20			
	Parkasham	92547	35			
	West Godavari	2395	08			
	East Godavari	7836	03			
	Visakhapatnam	33203	00			
	Total	196320	105	11	34,264	People gone back. All 65 Relief Camps closed

Kerala	Kollam	600000	131			
	Allappuzha	400000	35			
	Ernakulam	300000	5			
	Total	1300000	171		24978	29/24978

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Tamil Nadu	Chennai	65322	206		30000	25/ 30000
	Cuddalore	99704	612		61054	38/24204
	Kancheepuram	100000	128		60000	44/ 28792
	Kanyakumari	187650	824		46280	62/ 41250
	Nagapattinam	196184	6051		196184	96/91036
	Pudukottai	66350	15		4857	7/ 4857
	Ramanathapuram	6815	6		8350	36/ 8350
	Tirunelveli	27948	4		11170	20/11170
	Thoothukudi	13072	3		13072	23/11625
	Thiruvallur	25600	29		15600	13/4700
	Thanjavur	24000	26		4600	13/ 4600
	Tiruvarur	NA	17		11295	21/ 11295
	Villupuram	78240	47		37500	14/37500
	Total	890885	7968		499962	412/ 309379
Pondi cherry	Karaikal	17432	484	66	15000	22/ 5200
	Pondicherry	26000	107	9	55000	26/ 900
	Total	43432	591	75	70,000	48/ 6100
	Grand Total	2726596	10714	5669	647521	595/376171

*Information is based on the Survey being undertaken of inhabited Islands .