Appendix 4

A NOTE ON INTERVIEWS OF VARIOUS ACTORS

Purposive interviews were conducted with various actors along with techniques like Focus Group and observation for using actor oriented approach. The list of interviewees is given below:

(a) World Views of Tribals
- Beneficiaries
- A Female Sarpanch,
- A Female member of District Panchayat
- Three tribal bureaucrats
- Three tribal leaders
- Bhuva (a Faith healer)

(Their world view: their perception of the problem, their perception of the role of the state (especially forest and development bureaucracy) and NGOs, their suggestions, their views on elites within and without tribal communities. Their views on the changes that have taken place)

(b) Village Level Bureaucracy
- Village Revenue Officers
- Village Rural development Assistants
- Primary school Teachers
- Village Health workers
- Medical officers
- A Forest officer
- Anganwadi workers
- Members of various committees

(c) Village Level Institutions
- Village Panchayats
- Village Education Committee
- Village Health Committee
- Joint Forest Management Committee

Questions on conflict with other actors and Institutions, their problems, their perception of the tribal problem, Participation and suggestion are covered.
(d) **District Heads**
- District Panchayat President (present and one from the past)
- Collector and District Magistrate (present collector and one past collector)
- District Development Officer (present and one from the past)
- Deputy Conservator of Forest
- Assistant Project Officer for the TSP

Questions on their perception of the tribal problem, their views on devolution of powers (especially on PESA) and participation, their perception on constraints etc. are covered. Also their views on village bureaucracy and politicians' role, issue of coordination, conflict, issues with state and central government are also covered.

(e) **District departmental/ Agency Heads**
- Director of District Rural Development Agency
- District Primary Education officer
- District Chief Medical Officer
- District Agriculture officer
- Executive Engineer, Irrigation
- Public Health Officer

(Same questions, but more related to their field i.e. Poverty, education, health and agriculture)

(f) **Civil society**
- Ghelubhai Nayak (a well known activist)
- NGOs

(Their perception of the problem, role of states, central government, politicians and bureaucracy)

(g) **State level Actors**
- Senior officials in the Tribal Development Department
- Senior officials in the Panchayat and Rural Housing Department and other line departments

(Their perception of the tribal problem, issue of coordination with other departments, issue of devolving power by line department as per the PESA, issue and reasons of various parallel bodies and schemes (especially in case of education, health, forest and rural development) and issues with central government).