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PUC is the letter dated 28.5.07 received from M/s Venkateshwara Cements, BurmaNallah, Kodiaghat, South Andaman alongwith a copy of the letter No. J-11011/221/2007-1A II(I) dated 9th Mary'2007 of the Additional Director to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests (IA Division), New Delhi addressed to the Secretary (TW), A & N Administration regarding opening of cement grinding unit of 50 Tons capacity in Burmanallah. M/s Venkateshwara Cements has proposed to start a small scale Industrial cement-grinding unit at Burmanalha, Kodiaghat, South Andaman. The firm has approached the pollution control committee A& N Administration, Department of Science and Technology and the National Committee to get environment clearance.

The Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests (IA Division), New Delhi vide their letter dated 9th May'2007 at page113-114/cor has stated that the above said project has been considered and discussed in the 63rd Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry) meeting held during 28th -30th March'2007, during the discussion the Committee desired submitted of certain information which includes "Permission from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for setting up of Industry". The firm has requested this Administration to issue certificate for the above said matter.

In this context it is submitted that as per the A & N (PAT) Regulation, 1956, (a copy of the notification is placed at page 121/cor) the area of Burmanallah, Kodiaghat, South Andaman is not a tribal reserved area. As such there seems to be no need to issue any certificate to the firm.

If approved, we may inform the firm on the above said lines. Accordingly a draft letter is submitted for approval

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