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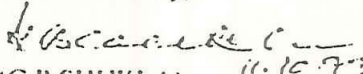
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It is further mentioned that the system of harvesting and natural regeneration operations as practised in Little Andaman is also the forest type is similar to that in the other forest divisions of the Andaman group of islands, whose working plans have already been approved by the Govt. of India. As such, the draft working plan for Little Andaman may please be approved on similar lines. You will kindly appreciate that unless the working plan is formally approved, all forestry operations of ANIFPDC will remain on hold and in that situation besides other activities, the establishment of regeneration in the worked over forests will be particularly hampered and adversely affected.

In view of the above, it is requested that a provisional approval of the working plan for at least two years with necessary modifications in the prescriptions as may be deemed fit, may kindly be accorded, pending studies required for any further amendments in the working plan.

Encl: as above.

Yours faithfully,


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