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Construction and renovation of Nicobari barrack (Mess) situated behind Urban Health Centre, Junglighat, Port Blair - reg.

This is a reference of Shri Sher Singh, Councillor, Municipal Council, Port Blair on the subject cited above.

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Health) had marked the above letter to Secretary (TW), A & N Admn., with an observation " Kindly get this structure renovation within 03 months through AAIVS ".

On discussion with Secretary (TW) he desired for a detailed note for further action. In this context, it is to submit that AAJVS is an Autonomous body constituted purely for the welfare activities of the Primitive Tribes in A & N Islands vice Shompen, Onge, Great Andamanese, Jarawas and Sentinelese. Annual Plan / Five Year Plan are formulated accordingly. We have got no Scheme/Plan for any activities for the welfare of the Nicobari tribe.

Further it has been ascertained that the barrack/mess in question is not a Nicobari Mess. This barrack/ mess was constructed by APWD for bachelor accommodation of Govt. officials of the A & N Administration. Accordingly Govt. provided Departments were of various accommodation in the above bachelor mess including Nicobari Govt. officials. It is reported that there are 16 No. of rooms of which following 4 Nicobari Govt. servants have been provided accommodation by the Administration along with other Govt. servants:-

- Shri Nicholas, Peon, Directorate of Tribal Welfare.
- "Vensas, Peon, Transport Department.
- ", LDC, Directorate of IP&T.
- "Subromrn, peon, D.C. Office.

In the light of the above factual position, it is to mention here that AAJVS does not have any participation either in the construction, possession, funding and renovation or otherwise or having any fund to do so. The PWD authority has to take such works for maintenance and renovation like other Govt.

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