

168 Placed for perusal at page 28/C, is a copy of letter addressed to the Chief Engineer, APWD, Port Blair, sent by Shri Sher Singh, Councilor, Ward NO:4, Municipal Council, Port Blair. The letter is in connection with construction/renovation of Nicobari Barrack (Mess) near UHC, Junglighat.

170 The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Health) had marked the file to Secretary (TW), A&N Administration with an observation stating that the structure renovated within three months through AAJVS.

171 In this connection, it is to mention that AAJVS is an autonomous body constituted for the welfare of the Primitive Tribes, viz. the Shompen, Onge, Great Andamanese, Jarawa and Sentinelese Only. The annual/five year plans are formulated accordingly only for these five PTG's.

172 Further, it was ascertained by the Executive Secretary, that the barrack in question is not a Nicobari mess, but a bachelor accommodation belonging to the A & N Administration, wherein few Nicobari's are residing. The A & N Administration has constructed this barrack and AAJVS does not have any participation in the construction, possession, funding or otherwise in this Barrack.

173 In the light of the above factual position, it is proposed that we may send a reply accordingly to Shri Sher Singh, Councilor, Ward NO:4, Municipal Council, Port Blair, copy endorsed to Chief Engineer, APWD and the Directorate of Tribal Welfare, stating the factual position.

174 Subject to approval, a draft letter addressed to Shri Sher Singh, Councilor, Ward NO:4, Municipal Council, Port Blair, is added for approval please.