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Port Blair, dated the ~~10~~ 4th Sept, 2002.

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New Delhi - 110001

Sub:- Action taken report on implementation of Guidelines on excise Policy in the tribal areas.

Sir,

I am directed to refer your D.O. No.12022/1/2000-TDB dated 19th August, 2001 regarding the above mentioned subject and furnish the action taken report on implementation of the guidelines on excise policy in the tribal areas of this UT as under:-

- 1.No licence is granted for commercial vending of alcoholic beverages in the tribal areas of this UT.
- 2.The tribals, particularly the Nicobarese, which is largest tribal group, do not brew any traditional beverage for their consumption. However, they consume Tody, which is their traditional drink and they tap it from their coconut trees. The Primitive Tribal groups too do not have any traditional beverage
- 3.Pamphlets, posters and slogans are displayed at the prominent places by the concerned departments like Health & Social Welfare to create awareness among tribals about the ill effects of alcohol drinking. Besides, the Tribal Councils, Social Welfare Advisory Board are also being involved in creation of general awareness among the tribals about the ill effects of drinking of liquor.

The Police Department keep vigil on illegal sale of illicit liquors including IMFL in the tribal areas. So the guidelines on excise policy is fully implemented so far in this UT is concerned.

Yours faithfully,



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