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Please refer to the office notes from para 97/n onwards. It is regarding implementation of guidelines on excise policy in the tribal areas. In this connection please refer to Govt. of India's letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2000 at pages 48-49/c specifying the guidelines to be followed on excise policy in the tribal areas.

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The guidelines were referred to the DC (Andamans) & DC (Nicobars) for the implementation of the excise policy and furnishing action taken report vide this office letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2002 at page 47/c. In reply to our letter, the DC (Nicobars) has furnish the report vide his letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2002 at pages 51-52/c while the DC (Andamans) has furnished the report vide his letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2002 at page 57/c.

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On the basis of the reports of both the DCs, the action taken report on each point is proposed 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.

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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.

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We may send action report to GOI on implementation of excise policy in the above lines, if approved.

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A draft action taken report is placed opposite for approval please.

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