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No. 1-562/91-TW ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION SECRETARIAT.

Port Blair, dated the 19 Dec, 98.

To,
Shri.Birham Singh,
Desk Officer,
Govt. of India,
Ministry Of Welfare (T.D.D)
Shastri Bhavan,
New Delhi-110 001.

Sub:- Excise policy in tribal areas.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter
No.12022/1/96-TDC dated 8.10.96 on the subject
cited above and to say that the excise policy
issued by the Govt. of India from time to time is
being scrupulously followed in this Union Territory.

In this regard, I am to further inform you that no commercial vending of alcoholic beverages is permitted in the tribal areas. The tribals of this UT do not brew any traditional liquor for their consumption. Their traditional drink is 'toddy' which is tapped from the coconut palm. They are not addicted to any alcoholic beverages.

Yours faithfully,

(K.K.Jindal)

Director (Tribal Welfare)