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**Point No. 2: - Include the Chotanagpur's tribes in the tribal list of the A & N Islands.**

The Chotanagpur Tribes are popularly known as Ranchis in this UT. The case for inclusion of Ranchi and Karens was examined by this Administration way back in 1994 and a view was taken that their inclusion in the list of STs of A & N Islands would be detrimental to the interest of the STs of aboriginal tribes of these Islands. Therefore, their case was not recommended to the Government of India vide this Administration's letter No. 1-581/9-TW dated 18.10.1994 issued with the approval of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A & N Islands (Copy enclosed for ready reference). The matter was again examined recently and the same view has been reiterated. Accordingly, it was intimated to the Government of India vide our letter No. 1-554/TW/1317 dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 2005 ( Copy enclosed ) with approval of the Hon'ble Lt Governor, A & N Islands.

Yours faithfully,

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**Copy to: -**

1. The Assistant Secretary (Education) with reference to his letter No. 8-SA/BE/2005/D-IV(PF) dated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2006 regarding memorandum/representation submitted to the Prime Minister during his visit to the A & N Islands on 3 to 5 January 2006.
2. The Assistant Secretary (GA) with reference to his letter No. 2072/2006/PGC (GA) dated 12<sup>th</sup> May 2006 regarding demand submitted by the General Secretary (Ranchi Association, A & N Islands, Port Blair to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and letter No. 2072/2006 PGC(GA) dated 12<sup>th</sup> May 2006 regarding demand submitted by the Agapit Khujur state President, JMM, A & N Islands, Port Blair to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.
3. The Assistant Secretary (PWD) with reference to his letter No. 404/2002-PWD dated 6<sup>th</sup> June 2006 regarding W.P No. 169 of 2005 filed by Ranchi Association against the Union of India & Others from Assistant Secretary (PWD).

  
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