

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

जनजातीय कल्याण निदेशालय

DIRECTORATE OF TRIBAL WELFARE

Port Blair, dated the 5th July 2007.

To

The Joint Secretary (Rev),
A & N Administration,
Secretariat

Sub:- Grievances of Post- 48 Bengali Refugee Settlers and
demands of BAANI - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 2-79/2005/Rev.
dated 29/5/07 regarding the subject mentioned above.

In this context, it is stated that no Scheduled Caste has been notified in relation to the A&N Islands. The A & N Administration has specified the following communities namely Pre- 1942 settlers of A & N Islands comprising of the (1) Local Borns (2) Bhatus or the Bhantus (3) Moplas and (4) Karens and post-1942 Bengali Settlers, settled in the islands under various rehabilitation schemes of the Central Government as Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in respect of A & N Islands vide A & N Admn. Notification No.343/2005/F.No.8-3/2003-TW dated 16.12./2005, as amended vide No.75/2006/ F.No.8-3/2003-TW dated 19/4/06.

Since the Pre- 1942 Settlers and the Post-1942 Bengali Settlers settled in A & N Islands have already been notified as OBCs in respect of these islands, the demand for commissioning the Scheduled Caste Commission for the Post-48 Settlers and Pre-42 Settlers is not justified.

Yours faithfully,

Assistant Commissioner (TW)