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p. dvi. on q. 6.200 2. The Chotanagpur Tribes are popularly known as Ranchis in this UT. The case for inclusion of Ranchi & 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 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 (copy placed at page 73-74/C) issued with the approval of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A & N Islands. (Copy of the relevant note is placed at page 75-77/C for reference,

Accordingly, we may send our comments, if approved.

A draft reply is put up for approval please.

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