

ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
Directorate of Tribal Welfare

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(6) PUC is received from the state President Jharkhand Kukti Morcha, A&N Islands, with reference to the letter No. RA/7/04 dated 7/09/2004 of the Association addressed to Professor Ram Kapse, the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of A&N Islands, regarding grievances of Ranchi/Chota Nagpur people residing in A&N Islands, with the following demands.

- (7) 1. To stop the eviction of the Ranchi Tribals from forest land in view of the President of India's address to the Member of Parliament on 7/6/2004 mentioned in the Para above.
- (8) 2. To include the Ranchi Tribals in the Tribal List of A&N Islands.
- (9) 3. To revive and follow the DO letter No.U-16012/6/80-ANL dated 5-10-1981 from Shri V.Pillai, Joint Secretary Ministry of Home Affairs, addressed to Chief Secretary A&N Administration as long as inclusion is not done.
- (10) 4. To reserve the seats for Ranchi student in the technical and Non technical education at par with the settlers.
- (11) 5. To give priority preference to Ranchis to avail the reserved ST seats in technical and non technical higher education.
- (12) 6. To publish the census report conducted in 1992 in which survey of Ranchis & Karens was taken.
- (13) 7. To lift the ban to avail the unavailed seats reserved for STs by the non local ST in regional Engineering College, Durgapur.

(14) In this connection it is stated that the Ranchis settled in A&N Islands have been representing to various authorities of Government of India and A&N Administration for granting ST status to them in respect of A&N Islands. The Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs vide their letter No.12016/17/81-SCR (R-Cell) A&N Islands dated 8/4/1994 had called for the comments of the Administration. The issue was examined and a report was sent to Govt. of India with the approval of the then Lt. Governor stating that the Ranchis are far more advanced than the STs viz. Nicobarese, Shompens, Sentinelese, Onges, Great Andamanese & Jarawa of this UT. So it will