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Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

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The Secretary
Tribal Welfare Department
Andaman & Nicobar Administration Secretariat
Port Blair

Subject: Memorandum dated 18.1.2003 handed over to the Prime Minister during his visit to Andaman & Nicobar Islands by Karen Youth Organisation.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of above referred Memorandum and to request that comments of the UT Administration on the demand contained in the Memorandum may kindly be furnished to this Ministry for onward submission to Prime Minister's Office. In this connection, it is pointed out that the UT Administration vide their letter No. 1-581/91-TW dated 12/18th October, 1994 had intimated to the then Ministry of Welfare that the UT Administration do not recommend their specification as Scheduled Tribe, however, they may get identified as OBC when the process for identification of OBCs in A&N Islands is taken up. The stand of the State Government of A&N Islands may kindly be intimated at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(P.L. Yadav)

Deputy Director

