

# KAREN YOUTH ORGANISATION

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Registration No. 829

Head Office : Webi Vill & P. O. Mayabunder - 744 204

NORTH ANDAMAN INDIA

Ref. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date 18/01/03

MEMORANDUM OF THE KAREN COMMUNITY LIVING IN ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA UNDER ARTICLE 15(4), 16(4) & 29(1) SUBMITTED TO THE HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE AT PORT BLAIR

Hon'ble Sir,

With utmost respect, we on behalf of the Karen Community living in Andaman & Nicobar Islands beg to submit the following few points for your kind perusal and sympathetic consideration please.

1. Kindly refer to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Welfare, New Delhi's letter No. 12016/30/95-3 CD(R.Cell) dated 12<sup>th</sup> July 1995 (Xerox copy of the letter enclosed for your kind reference please) in response to our representation No. KBCA/95/03 dated 18/05/1995, requesting to recognize the Karen Community living in Andaman & Nicobar Islands as Scheduled Tribe.
2. Interim relief/ Welfare measures for the upliftment of the Karen Community by way of reservation of Seats in Educational , Professional / Technical Institution and reservation in job in Andaman & Nicobar Islands prayed for till such time, the Karen of A & N Islands are declared Scheduled Tribe.
3. This particular Tribe numbering about 2200 have their own distinct language, culture and tradition are socially , educationally and economically backward, hence , required to be protected from imminent extinction by guaranteeing them the constitutional status as Scheduled Tribe.

Thanking you,

(ASHU AUNGTHONG)  
KAREN YOUTH ORGANISATION  
President  
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(SAWSAYTHA)  
General Secretary  
KAREN YOUTH ORGANISATION  
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Copy to :-

1. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Raj Nivas, Port Blair for kind Information please.
2. The Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) Andaman & Nicobar Parliamentary Constituency, Port Blair with the request kindly to pursue our case in the Parliament for further action please.

General Secretary