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It may be pertinent to mention that the total population of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per 1901 Census figures was 24,649 and as such the combined population of 'Chamars' and 'Sudra' would come to about 2.7%. At present (1991 Census) the population of Andaman and Nicobar Islands is 2,80,661 and taking and presuming that a normal family comprises five members and there are a total of 273 manual scavengers in the Port Blair Municipality, the population of 'Sudras' would come to 1365 i.e. 0.4% of the total population.

Regarding furnishing of the UT Administration's views on inclusion of 'Oraon', 'Munda', 'Kharia' and 'Dhanaka' communities in the Scheduled Tribes list, it may be submitted that the same have already been furnished to the Ministry vide Secretary(TW)'s letter dated 18th October, 1994 (Flag 'E') and subsequently vide Fax message dated 27th January, 1995 (Flag 'F') of the Chief Secretary.

Keeping in view the above background, Secretary(TW) may kindly like to prepare a draft reply for the Ministry.

Submitted please.

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Minutes of Director (TW) from para 126/N. onwards may please be seen. As per the 1901 census F/C(Link file) the ^{total in this UT} population of Chamars was 347 and Sudras was 227. The other 4 casts viz. Khatik, Kol, Munda and Oraon were very few in number and to my mind, they are not termed either as Chamars or as Sudras, as both Munda and Oraon are termed as Ranchis. Secretary, Municipal Council has informed that there

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