

## 12. Accounts And Audits

- (a) The Commission shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and also prepare an Annual Statement of Accounts in such form, as may be prescribed by the Administration.
- (b) The accounts of the Commission shall be audited at such intervals as may be specified by the Administration and any expenditure incurred in connection therewith shall be payable by the Commission.
- (c) Any person appointed by the Administration in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Commission shall have the same rights and privileges and the authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor General generally has in connection with the audit of Government accounts and, in particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers, as he may consider necessary, and to inspect any of the offices of the Commission.

## 13. Annual Report

The Commission shall prepare in such form and at such time as may be prescribed for each financial year its Annual Report giving a full account of its activities during the previous financial year and forward a copy thereof to the Administration.

## 14. Annual Report And Audit Report To Be Laid Before Parliament

The Administration shall cause the Annual Report, together with a memorandum of action taken on the advice tendered by the Commission under clause (6) and the reasons for the non-acceptance, if any, of such advice and Audit Report to be laid as soon as received before each House of Parliament.

## 15. Chairperson, Members And Employees Of The Commission To Be Public Servants

The Chairperson, Members and other employees of the Commission shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860.

## 16. Miscellaneous

The Administration may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make regulations to provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:

- salaries and allowances payable to and the other terms and conditions of service of the Chairperson and members and of officers, subordinate employees and assessors;
- the form in which the Annual Statement of Accounts shall be maintained;
- the form in, and the time at which the Annual Report shall be prepared and submitted to the Administration; and
- any other matter which is required to be, or may be prescribed.

## 17. Power To Remove Doubts Or Difficulties

If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions hereinabove prescribed, the Administration may, by order, to be published in the Official Gazette, make suitable provisions, not inconsistent with the provisions hereinabove given for removal of doubts or difficulties, if any.

### Explanation

For the purpose of this Notification—

(i) "Backward Classes" means such backward classes of citizens other than the Scheduled Tribes as may be specified by the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands in the lists.

(ii) "Administration" means the Andaman and Nicobar Administration.

(iii) "Commission" means the Andaman and Nicobar Commission for Other Backward Classes.

(iv) "lists" means lists prepared by the Administration from time to time for purposes of making provisions for the reservation of appointments or posts in favour of backward classes of citizens which, in the opinion of the Administration, are not adequately represented in the services under the Administration and any local or other authority owned or controlled by the Administration.

(v) "Member" means a member of the Commission and includes the Chairperson.

Sd/-

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