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(29) The Secretary(PGC), A&N Admn. vide U.O. Note at page 42/cor has forwarded a copy of represented dt 6-9-02 received from the President of Karen Youth Organisation, Webi Village, Mayabunder. The representation of the President of Karen Youth Organization may please be seen at page 42/cor. In the said letter they have requested the Chief Secretary, A&N Admn. to include the Karens in the list of Scheduled Tribes in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and reservation of seats in the professional/tech. courses, Reservation of seats in MPHWS, Reservation of seats in A&N Police Force, Teaching of Karen Languages in Primary Schools and opportunity to exchange their culture, folk dance and songs. The Secretary(PGC) has requested this deptt. to furnish the comments on the points pertaining to this department latest by 23-9-02 for perusal of Chief Secretary.

(30) In this connection, it is mentioned here that during last year we have furnished our reply to the AS(PGC) regarding inclusion of Karens in the list of ST or OBC which may be seen at page 39/cor. If approved, we may furnish our reply as was replied vide this office letter dt. 3-9-01 at page 39/cor.

(31) Submitted please.

20/9/02

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