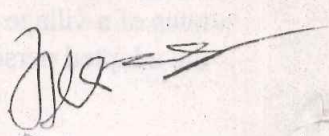


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plantations trees etc. is known as tuhet. These tuhets in a village are the most powerful groups and they always feel proud of being the member of their village. These tuhets have social commitment with each other (.) (2) Influx : The Nicobarese tribal are still very simple and innocent to be easily taken advantage of by the non-tribals whose main aim is to de-stabilize the future of the tribal for their own selfish motto. Effective steps should be taken to curb the inflow of these non-tribal into the tribal area atleast until such time the tribal are educated enough to know what is good and what is bad for them (.) Unquote (.) The agenda points are briefly discussed as under (1) Recognition of the Nicobarese Tribal Council : In this connection it may be mentioned that a draft tribal council regulation for A & N Island was earlier formulated by this administration at the instance of the GOI with a view to ensure participation of tribals in the administrative development of their area (.) The draft regulation was referred to you to ascertain the views of the tribal leaders (the draft regulation is largely on the pattern of the A & N Island, Panchayat regulation) (.) However, the tribal leaders did not come forward with their views (.) Consequently the draft regulation is pending (.) In the wake of the agenda item now suggested by Shri Ibrahim Ali Hussain, the draft Tribal Council Regulation could be revived provided the tribals come forward and give their views on the system proposed in the draft tribal regulation (.) In this connection a reference is invited to DCs signal No. 1-33/46/DRC/97/1577 dated 25th May'97 (.) (2) Influx : The whole Nicobars District except ports of Kamorta and Nancowry, rubber plantation at Katchal and ex-servicemen settlement area at Campbell Bay is designated as reserved area (tribal area) under the A & N Islands (Protection of aboriginal tribes) Regulation, 1956 (.) Further as per the a notification issued by the administration entry of non-tribal into the reserved area is prohibited except on the authority of pass granted by the respective Deputy Commissioners (.) The tribal pass is issued for specific purpose and specific period (.) Nobody can stay in the reserved area beyond the period specified in the tribal pass (.) You are, therefore requested to kindly furnish your comments on the above agenda items to this administration immediately (.)

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