

Shri Bhakta was of the view that an autonomous council should be established in Nicobar District. The Home Secretary clarified that a constitutional amendment is needed for setting up an autonomous council under the Sixth Schedule of the constitution. However, it could be examined if a Council could be set up as has been done in the case of Jharkhand and Darjeeling. The Prime Minister directed that a decision on this should be taken very early.

Action by :-

1. ~~Dev~~. Commissioner
2. Secy. (TW)
3. D.C. C/N
4. Dir. (TW)