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PUC is regarding review of progress on action taken on the minutes of the HMAc meeting held on 5.3.2001. The Secretary (TW), has desired to review the action taken report in respect of the departments including Tribal Welfare under his charge today at 1000 hrs. A copy of the minutes of the HMAc meeting held on 5.3.2001 is placed at flag 'A'. A perusal of the minutes shows that point No. 11 - 'More autonomy to tribal council' relates to the Tribal Welfare Department. The issue has been raised by Shri Manoranjan Bhakta, Ex-MP, A & N Islands.

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In this connection it is stated that there are traditional Tribal Councils at village level and island level formed by the Nicobarese themselves in Nicobars District and they are fully independent. However, with a view to formulize the functions of the Tribal Councils, the Tribal Council Regulation on the pattern of Tripura autonomous district tribal council is proposed to be introduced for Nicobars. Accordingly a draft Tribal Council Regulation has been formulated and referred to the Chief Captain, Tribal Council, Car Nicobar by Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar way back in Nov., 2000 for their opinion, but no response has yet been received as informed by Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar vide his letter dated 16th April, 2001 at page 99/c. The Deputy Commissioner, Nicobars is being reminded to pursue the Tribal Council, Car Nicobar to expedite their opinion. In the meanwhile, we may send the action taken report in the above line, if approved. A draft reply is placed below for approval please.

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Director (TW)

Secretary (TW)

6/6/2001
Research Officer (TW)

As amended. Pl. issue at once.

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Director (TW)

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