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The total number of passes issued in the district till date has never exceeded 200. It is, therefore apprehended that such large scale issue of trade license to contractors with permission to bring such large number of labours will result in legalising the entire illegal immigration since last forty years. Most of the Contractors have obtained individual tribal pass and working as Contractor in violation of provisions of PAT, 1956.

It is, therefore, requested that the contractors should be asked to submit a realistic estimate of labours required for work and should be asked to employ unskilled and semi-skilled labourers locally. Only in exceptional cases Contractors should be allowed to bring skilled labour only with due justification by implementing agency and safeguard imposed by D C(N).

V. POLICY OPTIONS

1. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. TRADE LICENCE

- (i) APWD, MES and ALHW should award work only to contractors/firms having valid trade licence from D C(N).
- (ii) Permission for undertaking stevedoring operations in tribal reserve area should be given to Contractors/firms having valid trade licence only.
- (iii) All works costing less than Rs.50 lacs should be given to Cooperative Societies of tribals.