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Port Blair, dated 10th July, 2002.

To

The Under Secretary to Govt. of India,
Govt. of India,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
New Delhi - 110001.

Sub : *Proposal relating to amendment of Andaman and Nicobar*
Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 -
reg.

Sir,

Please

~~I am directed to~~ refer to your letter No.U-11023/7/99-UTL dated 7th December, 2001 regarding the above mentioned subject. ~~and to inform you that~~ The proposal regarding amendment to section 8 of the (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes), Regulation 1956 has been ~~reviewed examined~~ reviewed at the level of Lt. Governor and ~~as per approval accorded by Hon'ble Lt. Governor,~~ A & N Islands and it ~~it is proposed to go for the amendment of the PAT Regulation.~~ has been decided to go ahead with the proposed amendment of PAT. Regulation.

In the wake of the ~~observation~~ of Ministry of Home Affairs vide , stating their letter No. U-11023/7/99-UTL dated 10.7.2001, that the minimum period of punishment is normally prescribed in law aimed at removing social evils, the following penalties. "imprisonment which may extend to one year and fine which may extend to Rs. 10,000/-" is proposed to be provided under section 8 of the Regulation by way of amendment.

It is pointed out that the punishment relating to imprisonment i.e. one year is the same, as originally provided under section 8 of the Regulation, while the quantum of fine is proposed to be enhanced from the existing provision of Rs. 1000/-. The option for imposing high amount of fine is expected to act as deterrent to the non-tribal intruders.

Accordingly, a revised draft amendment notification incorporating the above amendment under section 8 (1), (2) & (3) of the Regulation is enclosed.

It is therefore requested that the proposed amendment of the Regulation may kindly be approved and communicated to this Administration at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: A/A

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