## Reference page 152/cor:

PUC is a DO letter No. 11023/7/99-UTL of Shri P.K.Jalali, Joint Secretary (UT), Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi addressed to Chief Secretary, A & N Administration regarding promulgations of Regulation for amendment of Section 8 of A & N Islands PAT Regulation 1956. The Ministry of Home Affairs has called for the clarifications on the following issues:

- a) The number of persons who have been charge-sheeted and prosecuted under the aforesaid Regulation during the last fifteen years and how many cases ended with acquittal;
- b) Whether there is an increase in the number of such cases over the past fifteen years; and
- c) Whether by merely increasing penalties under the aforesaid Regulation, the protection of aboriginal tribes could be ensured.

In this connection it is stated that proposal for amendment of Section 8 (1) (2) & (3) relating to penalties for offences committed under the PAT Regulation alongwith amendment Notification was referred to Govt. of India vide their Administrations letter No. 1-146/2001-TW/1174 dated 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2002 at page 126-127/cor approval. The information on the points mentioned in the PUC may be called for from the law enforcement agency i.e Police, if approved. A draft letter is submitted for approval please.

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