Ref: - Pages 177-179/c

(281)

PUC is a letter No. U-11023/7/99-UTL dated 5/12/2005 of Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi addressed to the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration enclosing copy of Gazette of the A&N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Amendment Regulation 2005 as promulgated by the President of India under Article 240 of the Constitution with reference to D.O letter No. 1-467/2001-TW dated 10/09/2004 at pages 161-162/c of this Administration.

(282)

As noted by the Special Secretary (TW), on the body of the PUC, the Amendment Regulation could be placed in the Administration's web site and copies could be sent to the Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police and Inspector General of Police. Under Section 2 of the said Amendment Regulation, the Administration is required to notify the date from which the Regulation comes into force in the Islands.

(283)

The matter was discussed with the Legal Branch (Assistant Secretary (Law). He has advised that in the first instance we may re-publish the above gazette in the official gazette of A & N Islands for information of the general public. Once the gazette is re-published, the Administrator may appoint date from which the amendment of the Regulation shall come into force as provided under Section 2 of the Amendment Regulation.

(284)

In view of the above, it is proposed that the Amendment Regulation may, in the first instanced be re-published in the official gazette for information of the general public. Following that, a notification may be issued / published in the official gazette appointing the first day of February 2006 from which the Amendment Regulation shall come into force. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A & N Islands is competent to approve.