

Therefore, for the purpose of developmental activities, particularly Rural Development activities, the Tribal Councils in the Nicobars District have been recognised as the Representative Bodies. However, these Councils do not have the Constitutional recognition which could be deliberated/decided by the Government of India.

Executive Powers and powers of Planning should be given to Council:

At present the Tribal Councils in Nicobars District have been given the powers to suggest the Schemes to the District Administration i.e. District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) and have the powers to execute the Schemes approved in the Governing Body of DRDA.

3. No Government interference in the functioning of the Council:

Presently the funds required for the implementation of the Development schemes are provided by the Govt. of India and the implementation of the Schemes is required to be done as per the Guidelines issued by the Govt. of India. As such, the monitoring of the impementation activities is done by the DRDA and the District Administration.

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