सचिव 462-0308 भारत सरकार राष्ट्रीय अनुसूचित जाति एवं फेक्स अनुसूचित जनजाति आयोग 4 11 m Date 5.10.9 पांचवीं मंजिल, लोकनायक भवन email::ncscst@alpha.nic.in अशोक पार्थसारिय नई दिल्ली - 110003 GOVT. OF INDIA AND TO NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CHEDULED CASTES & SCHEDULED TRIBES FLOOR LOKNAYAK BHAWAN NEW DELHI-110003 D.O.No.14/5/98-MEW-I September 23 1998 As you are aware, National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been set up under Article 338 of the Constitution recently amended by the 65th Amendment Act of 1990 (copy enclosed for ready reference). As will be seen from the functions and duties cast upon the Commission by the Constitution the National Commission for SCs/STs has to play an important role in participating and advising on the planning process of the socio-economic development of the SCs & STs and to evaluate the progress of the development under the Union and States. The National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation (NSFDC) and Tribal Co-operative Marketing & Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED), as the Apex level bodies and SC/ST Finance and Development Corporations and Tribal Development Cooperative Federations at the State level are contributing significantly to the economic development of the SCs & STs. Apart from the Headquarters, the National Commission for SCs/STs has 16 State Offices, locations and address of, which are given in the enclosed Annexure I. The State Offices of the Commission function as its 'eyes and ears' and are required to collect, monitor and analyse important information pertaining to development and other safeguards provided to SCs/STs. In this connection, the association of the officers of our State Offices in the meetings of these financial development and cooperative corporations would be of immense help in participating and evaluating the socioeconomic development of the SCs/STs. I would, therefore, request you to kindly direct the concerned authorities to invite the Head of our State Office to meetings of the SC/ST Development Corporations and Tribal Cooperative Federations in your State on a standing basis. Yours sincerely, [A. Parthasarathi] Shri Ramesh Narayan Swamy, Chief Secretary, UT of A & N Islands. Port Blair