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PUC is the letter No. 11/4/2007-CP&R (i) dated 30.4.2007 of the Under Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi regarding Rajya Sabha Provisional Unstarred Question Dy. No. U 1049 for answer on 7.5.2007 by Shri. Dilip Singh Judev about 'sale of land to non-tribal people'. The Govt. of India has requested all State Tribal Welfare Secretaries to furnish the information by 3.5.2007.

The Ministry's letter No. 11/4/2007-CP&R (i) dated 30.4.2007 referred therein is received in this department on 15.5.2007.

The reply to the RSPUSQ No. U 1049 is proposed as under:

Sl.No.	Question	Proposed answer
a)	The names of the States alongwith the dates since when restriction has been imposed in those States on the sale of land to non-tribal people by the Scheduled Castes and primitive tribal groups;	<p>There are no Scheduled Castes notified in relation to this UT.</p> <p>The primitive tribes namely- Jarawas, Sentinelese and Shompens are hunter and gatherer and subsist on forest resources, while Great Andamanese and Onges still retain their traditional culture of hunting, fishing and gathering. There is no sale of land to non-tribal people by these communities.</p> <p>Further in this UT, the A & N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 is operational, which protects the interests of the tribals in the lands situated in the tribal areas. As per provision of the said Regulation, no member of an aboriginal tribe shall, except with the previous sanction of the Administrator, transfer by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, lease or otherwise any land to any person other than a member of an aboriginal tribe.</p>