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PUC is letter No.18012/4/2006-C&LM-I(Vol.3) dated 29/2/2012 from the Director, Ministry of Tribal 167 Affairs regarding implementation of the Recommendations of the First report of the National Commission for STs for the year 2004-05 and 2005-06. As per PUC the Commission recommends that:

> (i)The request for issue of caste certificate should be entered in a separate register maintained for the purpose with details of certificates issued.

- (ii) In case the ST victim is not satisfied with the performance of the Public Prosecutor, the victim may be allowed to change the PP and engage a Private lawyer and expenditure may be met by the Govt.
- (iii) Legal aid should be disbursed to the victim as early as possible.

In this context, it is stated that in this UT ST certificate is issued under the provisions of A & N Islands Constitutional Order 1959, by the District Administration by an Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar. In addition, the issue of appointment of Public Prosecutor and disbursement of legal aid etc. is also related to the District Vigilance & Monitoring Committee and hence we may endorse copy of recommendations to all Deputy Commissioners for their information.

Accordingly a draft letter is put-up for approval pl.

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