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14 PUC is letter No. 12/9/2007-Coord dated 4.10.2007 from Shri K.N.Singh, Joint Secretary, Govt. of India, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes addressed to the Administrator, Govt. of Andaman & Nicobar (UT) regarding issuance and verification of the community certificates in respect of ST/SC candidates.

15 As per PUC, it has been informed by the Joint Secretary that the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes has been receiving complaints from ST Candidates and various organizations regarding inordinate delay in the issuance of the ST Certificates by the District authorities and the resulting difficulties and hardship being faced by them. Hence the Commission has quoted the instructions issued by the Govt. of India regarding the authorities which are competent to issue the community certificates in the format prescribed by the Govt. of India. Therefore in view of the instructions of Govt. of India regarding the issuance of the community certificates in respect of ST/SC candidates, the Commission desires to know in general the procedures being adopted for the purpose of verification of the claim of a person to belong to a Scheduled tribe community on submission of an application by him/her and in particular with reference following points:-

- i) Whether the certificate is being issued in the format prescribed by Govt. of India. Whether a printed book of certificates has been made available to the certificate issuing authorities.
- ii) Whether the district authorities have been made available copies of the presidential orders issued by the Govt. of India from time to time to enable the applicants to refer the concerned order.
- iii) Methods for verification being followed by the district authorities for issuance of community certificates.
- iv) What is the time limit prescribed for issuance of community certificates.
- v) Instructions regarding issuance of community certificates to the ST person belonging to another state.
- vi) Process of confirmation / verification of genuineness of community certificates issued to ST candidates

16 The Commission has requested to send the requisite information with respect to above mentioned points at the earliest.

12 In this regard, it is submitted that in A & N Islands, the District Administration is the issuing authority of community certificates and hence if approved, we may request the Deputy Commissioner, North Middle Andaman/South Andaman and the Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar to furnish the requisite information. A copy of PUC may also forward to them.

18 Accordingly a draft letter is put up for perusal and approval please.

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