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To

Shri DM Shukla, Secretary (Tribal Welfare) A&N Administration, Port Blair.

Holding of elections as per A&N Islands (Tribal Council) Regulation, 2009 in Nancowry Group of Islands as demanded by all the 12 Village Captains of Nancowry Group of Islands - Reg.

Sir,

To-day, myself along with Shri Charles Jacab, Ist Captain of Chota Enaka, Nancowry Group of Islands met your goodself and handed over a copy of letter dated 23.11.2015 duly signed by 12 Village Captains of Nancowry Group of Islands regarding implementation of Tribal Council Regulation Act., 2009 and to conduct the election of Local Self Govt. in Nancowry Group of Islands for enabling the tribal community to elect their own desirable representatives and to run their own affairs by delegating them the financial and executive powers.

In Nancowry Group of Islands, there are 12 Village Captains who signed a letter dated 23.11.2015 addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor and copy to Member of Parliament amongst others including yourself and Dy. Commissioner, Nicobar District. (Copy enclosed).

All the 12 Village Captains were earlier met the Asst. Commissioners, Nancowry Group of Islands sometime in the month of October, 2015. Subsequently, they were also raise the above said issue before the the Dy. Commissioner, Nicobar district, Car Nicobar and requested for holding election for the Local Self Govt. especially for the Nancowry Group of Islands.

As per the communication received from the Election Commissioner for UTs, vide letter No. 5-19/EC/A&N/2014/293 dated 31st October, 2014 (copy enclosed) informing the following positions:-

(a). Requested the A&N Administration to expedite the final publication of A&N Islands (Tribunal Council) (Preparation of Electoral Rolls and Conduct of Elections) Rules, which were drafted in 2001, to enable us to proceed further for delimitation of constituencies, preparation of electoral rolls and conduct of maiden General Elections as per the A&N Islands (Tribal Council) Regulation,, 2009.

(b). To expedite the final publication of the A&N Islands (Trial Council) Preparation of

Electoral Rolls and Conduct of Elections) Rules.