

NO. 1-849/2013-TW/256
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
DIRECTORATE OF TRIBAL WELFARE

Port Blair, dated the 18th March 2016.

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Nicobar District,
Car Nicobar.

Sub: **View on Conduct of Election of Tribal Council Body -reg.**

Madam,

I am directed to invite a reference to your office letter No. 2-7(47)/ITDP/TCR-09/2010-11/22 dated 1st Feb'2016 on the above cited subject.

It is mentioned that a communication dated 25.1.2016 (copy enclosed) has been received from the Election Commissioner (UTs), stating that the Commission cannot take any initiative to hold elections under the A&N Islands (Tribal Councils) Regulation 2009 until and unless the rules of the aforesaid Regulation are notified by the Administration and expressed that the finalization of rules is to be taken by the Administration with a sense of purpose and time bound manner. It emphasized that extension of the democratic process in the Tribal Community would usher long term benefits to the tribal community and suggested the Administration to take an early action to finalize and notify the rules so that the Commission could hold elections to the Tribal Councils without further loss of time.

There are Seven Tribal Councils ie. Car Nicobar, Nancowry, Katchal, Kamorta, Teresa, Chowra and Great & Little Nicobar in Nicobar District, out of which the Tribal Council of Car Nicobar have conveyed their views, but the views of other six Tribal Councils are still awaited.

You are therefore requested to kindly convey the views of the remaining Tribal Councils, so that the facts could be appraised to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A & N Islands.

Yours faithfully,


Director (Tribal Welfare)

Copy to the Secretary (TW), A & N Administration, Port Blair.


Director (Tribal Welfare)

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