

No.2-71(47)/ITDP/ICR-09/2010-11//48
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
NICOBARS DISTRICT

R.D.No. 1394 Date: 16/7/10
 Secretary (Labour/Ind)
 A&N Administration
 Secretariat
 Urgent
 ROT

Car Nicobar, dated the 16th July 2010

NOTE

Sub: Implementation of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Tribal Councils) Regulation, 2009- Revised Tentative Time-frame thereon:

Kindly recall the discussions held on this matter in the meeting held on 2nd July 2010, under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary (i/c), wherein the Election Commissioner (UT) was also present. As pointed out by the Election Commissioner (UT), the Commission shall be pre-occupied with election activities in various other Union Territories till April 2011 and as such would not be in a position to conduct elections to Village Councils and Island Councils in Nicobars District in December/January 2010/11 as proposed earlier. It was stated that conditions remaining the same, the Commission would be conducting the elections in April 2011.

There are various factors having a bearing on conduct of elections in these islands. The scope of conducting elections, other than in the month of April, is limited due to the following reasons:

- (a) The board examinations are being held in the month of March and the teachers, required for conduct of elections as polling-personnel, shall be pre-occupied.
- (b) The two-month school-vacations start from 1st May onwards and the teachers shall be out of station/on leave.
- (c) From July till early September is monsoon season and it shall be very difficult to manage the logistics required for smooth conduct of elections.

If the opportunity of conducting elections in April 2011 is lost, then it may be held only in the month of September 2011.

The tentative time-frame proposed earlier is revised accordingly and re-submitted as under:

Sl.No.	Activity	Time Frame	Revised Time Frame
1.	Publication of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Tribal Councils) Regulation, 2009 in the Official Gazette of the Andaman & Nicobar Administration.	-	-
2.	Framing of Administrative Rules for running the Administration of Tribal Councils.	15.07.2010	31.07.2010
3.	Preparation of Election Rules (Tribal Councils)	15.08.2010	31.08.2010
4.	Delimitation of physical limits of various constituencies viz. Ward Member Constituencies, Village Councils and Island Councils.	15.09.2010	31.12.2010
5.	Preparation of Electoral Rolls for conducting election	30.11.2010	28.02.2011
6.	Notification for conduct of election to Village Councils / Island Councils.	31.12.2010	31.03.2011
7.	Constitution of Local Bodies.	31.01.2011	30.04.2011

It is requested to kindly get the time-schedule vetted by the Election Commission (UT), New Delhi.

As regards various preparatory-work, associated with conduct of elections, the District Administration has already initiated appropriate action in this direction and is following the time-schedule.