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The Andama & Nicobar Islands (Tribal Councils Regulation, 2009) was notified by MITA. Govt. of India, vide Notification No. 56 dated \$1.012.2009 with a view to establish Viltage Councils and Island Councils in the Nicobar District of the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands to introduce Panchayati Raj at Village & intermediate level in your District. Besides these institution would also help to provide greater autonomy to the Nicobari Schedule II bes Community in managing their administrative affairs.

Your predecessor, Sh. T. Shreekant, had already initiated necessary action for implementation of the Regulation after holding meetings and inter-active sessions with all the Tribal Councils and the Tribal Representatives. A tentative time frame for implementation of Andaman & Nicoba Islands (Tribal Councils Regulation, 2009) was discussed in a meeting held in the Chief Signetary Office in the presence of the Election Commissioner and other concerned officers on 18.06,2010, according to which administrative rules for running the administration of Tribal Councils were to be framed by 15.07,2010 and the exercise of delimitation of physical limits of various constituencies was to be finalized by 15.09,2010, followed by preparation of electoral rolls for conducting elections by 30.09,2010.

The Election Commissioner is visiting Andamans between 06.09.2010 to 08.09.2010, in connection with the forthcoming Panchayat Elections. She may like to discuss the present status of the case and future plan of action concerning the implementation of the New Regulation for Nicobar Island with the Chief Secretary & other concerned officers at Port Blair. Please send me updated status by return fax today.

Yours sincerely,

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