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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

सचिवालय

SECRETARIAT

Port Blair, dated the 19th June, 2009

To

Smti B.Bhamati,
Joint Secretary,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
Govt. of India,
North Block,
New Delhi.

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Madam,

Please refer to your letter D.O.No.U-11023/2/2006-UTL dated 5th June, 2009, enclosing the comments from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt of India on the draft Tribal Council Regulations of the A&N Administration. These observations have been examined and our views are communicated as given below:-

Para 4(i)(a)&(b) of the letter of the Jt. Director(MTA)

While this Administration has no objection to deleting these repetitions, it is clarified that the provisions were kept both in the body of the Tribal Council Regulation 35(2) as well as in the Second Schedule 2(e), 2(j) and 10(c) so as to reinforce the importance of the provision and also to highlight the authority and function delegated to the Village Council and Island Council. Besides, Regulation 35(2) specifies the powers of the Administrator whereas the Schedule specifies the delegated authority of the Tribal Council, and can therefore be construed as dealing with separate subjects.

Para-4(ii)

This may be done in the body of the Tribal Council Regulation at the level of the Ministry, by inserting "to promote greater autonomy and self-determination among the Nicobarese Scheduled Tribes in managing their affairs through the establishments of self governing institutions" in the third line of first paragraph of introduction on page-1, after Nicobar Islands.