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3		Chapter III relates to the Village Council. The draft from MHA has provision for nomination of the head of respective tuhet in the village to fill up the seats in the Village Council. The A&N Administration is doing away with this provision and the members of the Village council will be restricted to the persons who are elected to the body. This appears to be reasonable and in accordance with democratic principles.	No comments
4	<p>14. If any question arises as to whether a person has become subject to any disqualification referred to in section 4, section 7 or section 13, it shall be referred to the Deputy Commissioner for his decision:</p> <p>Provided that before giving any decision on any such question, the Deputy Commissioner shall obtain the opinion of the Election Commission and shall act in accordance with such opinion.</p>	Regulation 14 refers to the decision on the disqualification of any person who is member of the Village Council. It is stated that this matter shall be referred to the Deputy Commissioner who before deciding any such case shall obtain the opinion of the Election Commission and shall act in accordance with such opinion. There appears to be no mention here for opportunity to be heard by the Deputy Commissioner being given to the person whose case for disqualification is to be decided. Moreover, it appears unnecessary for the Deputy Commissioner to take the opinion of the Election Commission in such a matter. As it is proposed that the Deputy Commission is to abide by the opinion of the Election Commission, it would appear that the Deputy Commissioner has no authority to decide the matter and is only the transmitting the view/decision of the Election Commission. Such a provision can also overload the Election Commission with "advice" cases. Hence this Regulation needs to be redrafted.	This provision has been proposed in accordance with the A & N Islands Panchayati Raj Regulation 1994 applicable to the revenue areas of this UT.