(7b)

9.(i) Every Village General Body shall hold at least two general body meetings in each financial year, once in the month of October or November and the other in April or May:

Provided that the 1 st Captain shall upon a requisition in writing by not less than one-filth or the number of members, within 30 days of the receipt of such requisition, call an extraordinary meeting of the General Body.

- (ii) The 1st Captain or in his absence, the 2nd Captain or in the absence of both any person chosen by the Village General Body shall preside at such meetings.
- (iii) The notice indicating the time and place of all meetings of the Village General Body shall be given in the prescribed manner.
- (iv) One-tenth of the total number of members of the Village General Body shall from the quorum for a meeting.
- 10 (i) The Village Council shall place before the Village General Body at its meeting in April or May
 - (a) the annual statement of account;
 - (b) the report of the village level Tribal Council of the preceding financial year;
 - (c) the development and other programmes of work proposed for that financial year; and
 - (d) the last audit notes and replies made thereto.
- (ii) It shall be open to the Village General Body to discuss any or all the matters placed before it under sub-section (i) and the Village Council shall consider the suggestion, if any made by the Village General Body.
- (iii) Village General Body shall carry, out such other functions, as the Administrator may, by a general or special order, require.

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- ll.(i) As soon as may be after its constitution, every Village General Body shall elect from amongst its member as Executive Committee called the Village Council and a Chairperson of that Committee called the 1st captain.
- (ii) The head of the respective 'tuhet' in the village or as per the existing Tribal Customary laws members shall be nominated for Election through secret ballot to fill up the seat in the Village Council.
- (iii) A Village Council shall consist of such number of seats, including the President, not being less than five and not more than nine, as the Deputy Commissioner may determine.
- (iv) The ratio between the population of the territorial area of a Village Council and the number of seats in that council to be filled by election shall, as far as practicable, be the same throughout the District. However election commission shall take into account geographical realities of Islands & relax this condition if required for isolated & sparsly inhabitant population pockets.