

159. (i) Every person in possession of money, accounts, records or other property pertaining to the Village Council or Island Council or District Council shall on the requisition in writing of the Chief Executive Officer for this purpose forthwith hand over such moneys or deliver up such accounts, records or other property to the Chief Executive Officer or the person authorized in the requisition to receive the same.

(ii) The Chief Executive Officer may also take steps to recover any money due by such person in the same manner and subject to the provisions contained in Chapter IX of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Land Revenue and Land Reforms Regulation 1966 for the recovery of the arrears of land revenue from defaulters; and for the purpose of recovering the accounts, records or other property pertaining to the Village Council or Island Council or District Council may issue a search warrant and exercise all such powers with respect thereto as may lawfully be exercised by a Magistrate under the provisions of Chapter VII of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

160. (i) The time and place of meeting of the District Council and the procedure to be followed at such meetings shall be such as may be prescribed.

(ii) A member of the District Council may at any meeting, move any resolution and put questions to the Chief Councillor or the Deputy Chief Councillor on matters connected with the Administration of the District Council in the manner prescribed.

(iii) No resolution of the District Council shall be modified, amended, varied or cancelled by the District Council within a period of a months from the date of passing thereof except by a resolution supported by two-thirds of the total number of members of the District Council.

161. (i) Subject to such control and restrictions as may be prescribed, the District Council may appoint standing committees for exercising such of its powers and discharging such of its duties and functions as it may specify.

(ii) A committee shall consist of not more than five members and may be dissolved or reconstituted for such reasons and in manner as may be prescribed.

162. No act or proceedings of the District Councillor of any standing committee thereof shall be deemed to be invalid by reason only of the existence of any vacancy or defect in tile constitution of the District Council or the committee or of any infirmity in its proceedings.

163 (i). The District Council shall have such powers and authority as the Administrator may by order specify, so as to enable it to function as an institution of self government with respect to the preparation of plans for economic development and social justice and the implementation of schemes for economic development and social justice in relation to the matters listed in the sixth schedule.