

- (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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- 11.(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 & sparsely inhabitant population pockets.
- (v) Area of a Village Council shall be determined by the Election commission in accordance with the number of tuhet irrespective of the size or where all the original residents of the tuhet may dwell
- (vi) Not less than one-third of the total number of the seats in a Village Council shall be reserved for women,
- (vii) Not less than one-third of the total number of offices of the 1st Captain shall be reserved for women:
- (viii) The number of seats to be reserved under sub-section (vi) and (vii) shall be determined by the Administrator, by an order published in the Official Gazette;

Provided that the offices reserved under sections (vi) and (vii) shall be allotted by the Election Commission by rotation to different village level tribal councils & constituencies there in such manner as may be prescribed.

- 12.(i) Every member of a Village General Body shall, unless disqualified under this Regulation or any other law for the time being in force, be qualified to vote at an election to the Village level Councillor he elected to fill a seat in the said council including the office or Captain or both.