

Section 34 to 36 - Part of section 34, section 35 and part of section 36 were missed out in the draft regulation sent to the Ministry. The same has ben incorporated and now the section 34 to 36 may be read as per the Statement-II enclosed.

Second Schedule (Village Council)

and

Sixth Schedule

It is not proposed to change the existing three tier system to the suggested two tier system in A & N Islands. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Panchayats) Regulation, 1994 also has three tier system which indicates that population criteria ie. less than 20 lakhs in these islands had not (District Council) | been considered in framing the law to bring about the Panchayat Raj Institutions in this Union Territory. Hence, it is not proposed to change. ] the Second and Sixth Schedules, as the existing schedules already have enabling provisions of PESA Act similar to those provisions contained in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Panchayats) Regulation, 1994.

This is sues with the approval

Scel (TW) Yours faithfully,

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