

## CHAPTER - VII

### VILLAGE JUDICIAL COUNCIL

- 56.(1) There shall be for every Village, a Village Judicial Council which shall consist of five persons to be elected by the members of the Village Council from amongst themselves:

Provided that heads of tuhets in the Village who are related with the dispute shall be the part of Village Judicial Council.

Provided further that all the three captains shall also be represented in the Village Judicial Council.

- (2) Three members of the Village Judicial Council shall form the quorum for a meeting.

57. Every member of a Village judicial council shall, before entering upon his duties, take the oath of office in the form set out in the First Schedule before the Assistant Commissioner.

58. Every Village Judicial Council shall elect from amongst its members a Judicial Councilor and a Deputy Judicial Councilor who are able to read and write Hindi, English or Nicobarese.

59. The terms of office of every member of a Village Judicial Council shall be co-terminous with the term of the Village Council:

Provided that the Village Judicial Councilor and the Deputy Village Judicial Councilor shall continue in office until they are relieved by their respective successors.

60. The Secretary of the Village Council shall be ex-officio Judicial Clerk of the Village Judicial Council for the purpose of recording its proceedings and decisions and performing such other duties as may