

(m) This is regarding finalization of the Draft Tribal Council Regulation. The Draft Regulation to be promulgated under Article 240 of the Constitution was initially sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India for approval vide Administration's letter No. 1-849/2004-TW/86 dated 1.2.2006 at page 2/c.

(2k) The Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India sought the comments / views of the Andaman & Nicobar Administration on the suggestion made by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India who has suggested to incorporate the enabling provisions of the Panchayat (Extension to the schedule Areas) Act, 1996 (PESA Act) in the draft Tribal Councils Regulation. After appropriately incorporating the suggestion, the modified draft Regulation was sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India vide this Administration's letter No. 1-849/2004-TW/631 dated 28.7.2006 at pages 3-7/c. The Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India was also requested to expedite the approval of the draft Tribal Council Regulation vide this Admn.'s letter dated 19.2.2007 at page 51/c.

(2b) Later the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India sought the comments / views of the Andaman & Nicobar Administration on the suggestion made by the Ministry of Law & Justice, Govt. of India who had sought clarification on a number of points of the proposed draft Regulation to consider the draft Tribal Councils Regulation. The required information has already been sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, vide this Administration's letter No. 1-849/2004-TW/03 dated 4.4.2007 at pages 11-14/c. The approval of the draft Tribal Council Regulation is still awaited from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India.

(2k) If approved, we may request Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India to expedite the approval of the draft Tribal Council Regulation. Accordingly, a draft reminder is put up for perusal and approval please.

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As approved by Mr. J. S. ...  
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