

16. That the Field Level Committee accordingly interacted with all stake holders and collected the required information/materials and held meetings on 4.9.2012, 9.10.2012 and 19.11.2012. The Sub-committee held consultative meeting on 28.8.2012 and guided the Field Level Committee to collect the required details. The High Level Committee under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary held meetings on 22.8.2012, 24.9.2012, 29.10.12, 7.11.12, 9.11.12 and on 19.11.12. The Chairman of the High Level Committee namely the Chief Secretary conducted also a consultative meeting with the representatives of Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Police and Forest on 7.11.2012. The Committee chaired by the Chief Secretary submitted its final report on Buffer zone on 27.11.2012.

17. That thereafter, the report was carefully examined by the Administrator, A&N Islands who approved on 16.1.2013 a revised Buffer zone notification