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May please refer to notes from para 13 - 17 regarding execution of works allotted to registered contractors in Nicobars. Now as per the decision taken in the above notes no trade /business license under PAT Regulation need be taken by the contractors executing the works allotted by APWD.

In this context it is stated that as provided under Section 6 of the A&N Islands (PAT), Regulation, 1956, no non-tribals shall carry on any trade or business in the reserved (tribal) area except under and in accordance with the terms and conditions of a license granted by the Administrator. Further, as provided under Rule 9 of the A&N Islands (PAT), Rules, 1957, the contractors executing works are required to take license in Form 'H' for miscellaneous trade. The miscellaneous trade as defined vide amendment to rule 2(g) 1 of the PAT Rules, includes, among others, works relating to APWD and IAF contracts (a copy of the Notification No. 274/60/150-5/60-G dated 05/12/1960 relating amendment of the Rules is placed at pages 18-18/C for ready reference).

Since the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands has approved the suggestion in paras 13-17/N that henceforth the registered contractors executing works allocated and supervised by APWD in Nicobars need not take trade or business license under PAT Regulation and the Rules made thereunder. The rule 2 (g) 1 (works relating to APWD and IAF contracts) could be treated as amended / deleted. As a result, the works relating to APWD and IAF contracts will not be covered under the "Misc. Trade". In this regards it may be noted that besides, APWD and IAF, there are other govt. agencies like Central Govt. deptt (ALHW) and Defence Establishments (MES) executing works in Nicobars. They will also be exempted from taking license for executing construction works under miscellaneous trade with the issuance of the amendment to the above rule.

Accordingly, necessary notification amending /deleting Clause 2 (g) 1 of rule 2 of the PAT Rules may be issued if approved. At the same time we may issue a Circular letter to all concerned indicating the procedure to be followed for repatriation of the contract labours as approved vide note in para/6/N. A draft omendment Notification and a draft circular letter are placed opposite for approval please.

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