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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

DIRECTORATE OF TRIBAL WELFARE

Port Blair dated the

13 October, 2014

To

The Under Secretary to the GoI, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, August Kranti Bhavan, New Delhi, Phone—26182429.



Sub:-Review of the Forest Right Act 2006- large scale misuse of the Act happening all over India and the rich-bio diversity Wildlife vanishing largely.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to MoTA's letter No. 23011/09/2013-FRA dated 16th September, 2014 regarding the above mentioned subject and to appraise the position with regard to implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 in respect of the Scheduled Tribes of this UT as under:-

As for the tribals comprising of the Onge, Andamanese, Jarawas, Sentinelese, Shompens and Nicobarese of this UT, they have been living in the forests and sustaining on its resources. Following the coming into force the A & N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 as further amended from time to time the areas inhabited by the tribals have been declared as reserve area and the interests of the tribals in the lands situated in the reserve area have been fully protected. As per the said law, no non-tribal can acquire any interest in the lands falling in the reserve area. Even entry of non-tribals in the reserve area is banned except on the authority of a pass granted by the Competent Authority U/S 7 of the PAT Regulation.