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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Andamans District.

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Port Blair, dated the 16th December, 2002.

To

The Director (T.W)
A&N Administration,
Port Blair.

Sub:- Administration on the Scheduled area and welfare of Scheduled Tribe- reg.

Sir,

With reference to your DO letter No.1-812/2002-TW/1212 dated 9/12/2002 on the subject cited above I am directed to furnish the information as under :-

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1. There are six Schedule Tribe in these Islands namely Jarawas, Onges, Great Andamanese, Sentinelines, Nicobarites and Shompen. They are living in separate islands and localities and such areas are notified as reserved areas under the provisions of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 (Regulation No 3 of 1956). Entry of any person others than a member of aboriginal tribe is prohibited in the reserved areas so notified except on the authority of a pass granted by the Deputy Commissioner concerned subject to observation of the conditions and restrictions. Unauthorized entry in the reserved areas is punishable under section 8 of the said Regulation with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine of Rs.1000/- or both. The areas reserved for tribals are non transferable. The aboriginal tribes govern the reserved areas accordingly to their tradition without any interference of the Administration. The land reserved for tribal are not curtailed for any non-tribal purpose.
2. The A&N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 and rules framed there under are effective as no persons other than the members of aboriginal tribals can enter into the reserved areas and unauthorized entry is punishable. The A&N Administration is taking all measures to follow the