## No.1-804/2004-TW/107 ANDAMAN & NICOBARAR ADMINISTRATION SECRETARIAT

Port Blair dated the 2 March, 2005.

To

The Joint Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001

Sub:

Ex-post-facto approval for release of Grant-in-aid to Nicobarese Tribal Councils for creation of community facilities for the year 2004-05 - reg.

Sir,

Kindly refer your letter No. 17012/2/2005-S&M dated 8.2.2005 addressed to former Chief secretary, A&N Administration regarding Grant-in-aid to Tribal Council of Nicobars.

As mentioned in your letter referred to above, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs had no objection to the A & N Administration giving grant-in-aid to the Tribal Courteil of Nicobars out of the approved budget of the UT Administration under the general provisions of the General Financial Rules. subject to the condition that all the expenditure is incurred in accordance with the Government rules and procedures by the establishment of the Deputy Commissioner, Nicobars on behalf of Tribal Council.

As regards the general provisions of GFR relating to grant-in-aid is concerned, Rule 148 of the GFR is applicable, according to which the competent authority under the DEP Rules, 1978 can sanction grant-in-aid to the institutions or organizations set up by the Government as autonomous bodies either under a statute or to a society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 or otherwise and all sanctions of grants-in-aid, issued by the competent authority should conform to the pattern of assistance or rules governing such grants-in-aid as approved by the Finance Ministry (Integrated Finance/Associate Finance concerned.