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F.No.1-804/2004-TW/1363
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
SECRETARIAT

By Fax

Port Blair, dated 10th August 2005

To

Shri S.K. Gupta,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan
New Delhi.

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,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. F.No. 17012/2005-Schemes dated 29th June 2005 addressed to Secretary (TW), Andaman & Nicobar Administration regarding the above-mentioned subject and to say that under rule 20 of the Delegation of Financial Powers Rules 1978, Administrator (Lieutenant Governor, A&N Islands) has full powers to sanction grant-in-aid provided that such grant-in-aid is in accordance with the pattern of assistance or rules governing such grant-in-aid has been approved by the Finance Ministry (integrated finance / associate finance concerned). But in the instant case, the rules governing grant-in-aid to the Nicobarese Tribal Councils is under consideration of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi. In this connection, please refer to this Administration's letter No. 1-804/2004-TW/1263 dated 30th June 2005 and letter No. 1-804/2004-TW/1097 dated 15th April 2005 addressed to Joint Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi forwarding a copy of the revised rules for approval.

Since there are no approved rules governing release of grant-in-aid to the Tribal Councils, the Administration (LG) of this Union Territory Administrator has sanctioned grants of Rs. 31.22 lakhs to the Tribal Councils of Nicobarese subject to obtaining ex-post-facto sanction of the Govt. of India. Accordingly, it is requested that ex-post-facto sanction of the Govt. of India in respect of the above grant-in-aid may kindly be communicated at the earliest. This issues with the approval of Secretary (TW).

Yours faithfully,

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Assistant Secretary (TW)
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