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Placed below (Flag 'PUC) is a copy of tour programme of Shri Kameshwar Paswan, Vice-Chairman, National Commission for Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes, who plans to visit these Islands between 21st December, 1999 and 25th December, 1999. He desires to meet the Chief Secretary and other senior officers regarding monitoring and implementation of the Constitutional safeguards and implementation of development programmes for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in these islands.

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In this connection, I have spoken to Shri Ashok Parthasarathi, Secretary to the National Commission for Schedules Castes & Scheduled Tribes and requested him to explain to Shri Kameshwar Paswan, the present pre-occupations of this Administration with arrangements for the Katchal millennium celebrations and in view of this to persuade him to postpone his visit.

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Shri Parthasarathi, just rang me up and said that he has done the needful and also advised me to suggest an alternate date of 10th January, 2000 for the Hon'ble Vice-Chairman to visit these islands. Accordingly, I have sent a FAX Message to him in this regard (Flag 'X').

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Submitted for kind information of Lt. Governor.

(Ranmesh Narayanaswami) **Chief Secretary**

16.12.1999