

PUC is an email dated 3.10.2019 of Dr Mohd Rehan Raza, SDM, Saraswati Vihar District, North West, Delhi addressed to the Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N islands regarding grant of approval/ concurrence to publish his book entitled "The Great Nicobar islands: India's Southern Fortune" to be published by "Bloomsbury".

On the body of the email, the H'LG observed that "May pl have this examined & suggest"

Dr Rehan has stated that he has authored a book from an administrative and academic angle out of his literary pursuit during his posting as Assistant Commissioner, Campbell Bay. While serving as Assistant Commissioner (TW) he has noticed that the Department of Tribal Welfare is exist with very less information related to the tribes of Great and Little Nicobar, which forced him to write a book on Great Nicobar and their people. The book mainly describes the fascinating collection of the exotic flora and fauna of the island and discusses the identity and tradition of the Nicobarese and Shompen tribes, including places like *Indira Point, Navy Dera, Mount Thullier, Galathea, Makachua and Afra Bay*. The effort taken by the Administration to develop the Great Nicobar and its connected islands after tsunami has also been convincingly covered in the said book by him as an academician.

He has also forwarded the permission taken by him from the Service Department, Govt of NCT of Delhi to publish the above said work under CCS (Conduct Rules), 1964.

In this connection, it is submitted that there is no restriction under PAT Regulation to publish any book on tribes/ settlers/ tribal region. However, taking photography/videography of aboriginal is prohibited.

The book considered to be a compendium of useful information about Great Nicobar. There is nothing objectionable or adverse content/ picture used in the book. Therefore, this Directorate has no objection as far as tribal point of view to release the book in ITF, 2019.

Submitted please.

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150 May please peruse the notes above.
Specially para 144 above.