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Proposal in file is regarding granting of permission to Dr. A.N.C.V Rao & Smti. K.H Shanta Kumar to visit Car Nicobar for study purpose about Aboriginal Tribes of A & N Islands. Before granting permission to the applicants, the file has been rooted to the Tribal Welfare Department for comments.

In this context, it is stated that the applicants have proposed to visit Car Nicobar for study about Aboriginal tribes of A & N Islands at their own. The areas inhabited by tribals i.e Nicobarese have been declared as reserved area under the Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956. Persons other than the members of Aboriginal Tribes are prohibited to enter into the Tribal reserve unless they are permitted by the Competent Authority under the said regulation.

Under Section 7 of the A & N Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956, the Deputy Commissioner of the District is the statuary authority to consider and issue tribal pass to the applicants.

Accordingly the file is returned herewith.

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