

F.No. 1-272/2005-TW

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PUC is an appeal made by Shri Randhir K. De , Advocate vide letter dated 23.2.07 addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A & N Islands against refusal of Tribal Pass for his visit to the Onge Settlement in Little Andaman in connection with research works on Onge tribe as mentioned in his letter. He has referred to letter No. 5-5/LS/2006-XXX/1268 dated 15<sup>th</sup> February'2007 of Deputy Commissioner, South Andamans.

The DC, South Andamans vide his letter No. 5-5/LS/2006-XXX/6388 dated 4<sup>th</sup> December'2006 has sought the comments of the ~~from~~ the Secretary (TW), as to whether tribal pass can be given to applicant Shri R.K. De. In reply to which the Executive Secretary, AAJVS had written to DC, South Andamans with the approval of Secretary (TW) vide his letter No. 17-7/AAJVS/2004/519 dated 8.12.2006 at page 93/c. (Xerox copy of the notes and orders from the File No. 17-7/AAJVS/2004 is placed at page 89-92/c).

In this connection it is mentioned that the DO letter No. 19013/2/2005-Schemes dated 9<sup>th</sup> June'2005 of the Joint Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi stipulates to ensure that undue interference in the lives of Primitive Tribal Groups does not take place without the approval of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. (Copy placed at page 94/c).

The DC, South Andamans who is the competent authority to consider the tribal pass and who had refused such pass to Shri R.K.De earlier, may like respond to the present letter of Shri R.K.De. However, before responding to the applicant, DC, South Andamans may bring the above fact to the notice of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor.

Accordingly if approved we may write to DC, Andamans in the above lines.

Submitted please.

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Assistant Commissioner (TW)  
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Director (TW)  
Secretary (TW)

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