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Port Blair, dated the 7th January, 2004

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Sub:- Guidelines regarding aesthetics of Government buildings and campuses.

In the selection of sites for locating Government establishments and offices, appropriateness of the site for the proposed use, its location etc. have to be taken into account. The departments proposing allotment or acquisition of land are advised to keep in mind that the building to be put up in the site/location will have to be governed by the relevant Building Regulations applicable to that Zone. The buildings will have to conform to the architectural controls laid down under the relevant Rules. In order to take care of the aesthetics and appearance of Government campus and buildings, the departments are advised to follow the guidelines given below:-

(i) The site selection/finalisation may be done in consultation with the Architect of the PWD in order to get the benefit of inputs from the point of view of architectural controls, features and look of the campus.

Buildings should match with the surroundings. They should have sloping roofs to allow for the free flow of rain water. If the roof/terrace is made in RCC, tile cladding will be useful to give a better appearance.

The colour schemes for all Government buildings could be as follows:-

- (a) White/beige yellow for interiors to keep the environment bright and pleasant.
 (b) White or beige yellow with light.
- (b) White or beige yellow with light green or light blue sidings on the outer surface.
- (c) Green or ochre colour to the corrugated sheets so as to have a pleasant aerial view of the town (It will also act as a protective coating against corrosion.)

Distinctive style of certain old heritage buildings of Port Blair may also be selectively and appropriately adopted for institutional buildings in order to promote distinctive architectural style in the long term.

(v) Local flowering plants and bush plants may be planted after appropriate landscaping. Instead of potted plants, bush plants planted on the ground should be preferred since they will be easier and economical to maintain. A variety of local flower/fruit plants and trees may be preferred in order to maintain diversity and create interest in different kinds of flora.

Rain water harvesting should be taken care of wherever possible to prevent erosion, to check run-off and to increase percolation of water into the soil.

Push lever water tanks in slim size should be adopted in toilets in order to conserve processed water.

Buildings should have appropriate access and facilities for persons with disabilities.

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To

- 1. All Commissioner-cum-Secretaries/Secretaries, A&N Admn.
- 2. All Special Secretaries/Dy. Secretaries, A&N Administration
- 3. All Heads of Department, A&N Administration
- 4. All Assistant Secretaries, Secretariat.
- 5. All Sections in the Secretariat.