## No.8-3/2003-TW ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION SECRETARIAT

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Port Blair, the 30th March 2006

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Sub:-Reservation for Other Backward Classes in posts/services under the A&N Administration - instructions for issue of OBC certificate to the candidates.

The A&N Administration has issued a Notification No. 12/F.No. 1-611/93-TW dated 23rd February 1994 constituting a permanent body known as 'A&N Commission for Other Backward Classes' for identification of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in respect of A&N Islands. The Commission identified OBCs and submitted its Report to the Administration recommending the following communities namely (1) Local Borns, (2). Bhatus, (3). Moplas (4). Karens (5) Bengali settlers. Commission submitted the supplementary recommending reservation of 38% jobs in the services of the A&N Administration for OBCs. The Report of the Commission has been accepted by the Administration and necessary notification vide No. 343/2005/F.No. 8-3/2003-TW dated 16/12/2005 has been issued and published in the official gazette of A&N Administration specifying the above five communities as OBCs and 38% reservation in the services (a copy of each of the said notification is enclosed for reference).

The reservation for OBCs in services shall be implemented by the various Appointing Authorities of the A&N Administration. For the purpose of verification of the OBC status of the communities notified as OBCs, a certificate by the prescribed authorities is required to be issued. In this regard, the Government of India, the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training, New Delhi vide their letter No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 15th November 1993.(Copy enclosed) have prescribed various authorities including a Revenue Officer not below rank of Tehsildar to issue caste/community certificate in respect of OBCs for Central Government Services. As further mentioned in the said letter, the Competent authorities are also authorized to certify that a candidate does not belong to 'Creamy Layer'. The form of certificate in an Annexure 'A' attached to the said letter of the Government of India shall indicate that the candidate does not belong to creamy layer, besides OBC status.

As regards creamy layer, the Government of India Ministry of Personal, Public Grievances & Pensions vide their Office Memorandum No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 8th September 1993 (copy enclosed) have prescribed criteria for exclusion of the socially advanced persons / sections from the benefit of reservation for Other Backward Classes in posts and services under the Government of India as further amended vide their Office Memorandum No. 36033/3/2004-Estt.(Res) dated 9th March 2004 (copy enclosed). As such, a combined certificate about OBC status and Creamy Layer Status of a candidate is required to be issued by the competent authority in order to enable the candidate to claim for reserved post for OBCs.

Andaman and Nicobar Administration has decided to adopt the procedures/ guidelines laid down by the Govt. of India vide their letter / Office Memorandum referred to above for the purpose of issue of OBC status and Creamy Layer status certificate to the OBCs candidates of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Further, the Administration has authorized District Officers to issue the certificates to the OBCs of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per the guidelines referred above.

Encl: - A/A ( Page 1 to 20 )

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