No. 45-608/2018-PW अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन

Andaman & Nicobar Administration सचिवालय/ Secretariat

Port Blair, dated the 15 July 2020

CIRCULAR

Sub: Policy Guidelines for rotational transfer of Govt. Servant to Southern Islands from Andaman – modification thereof –reg.

Attention is invited to Last 3rd Para of Administration's Circular No. 55-3/2005-PW dated 09/05/2007 which stipulates that "Keeping in view the welfare of employees posted in these places, Hon'ble Lt. Governor has been pleased to order payment of HRA at usual rates, as admissible, as a special case, to the employees posted in Southern Group of Islands/ Little Andaman and also exempt them from payment of License fees, if any, for the shared accommodation being provided to them, until permanent Govt. Residential accommodation as per their entitlement are allotted to the employees posted in these places."

In this context, it is to say that during the course of Audit of Secretariat Establishment, the Audit has brought an issue of inadmissible payment of HRA to 52 employees of various other departments in southern Group of islands, who were allowed HRA at usual rates even after allotment of accommodation on Single/ Family quarters during the period between 12/2008 and 07/2019 to the notice of this Administration.

Accordingly, the competent authority has reviewed the status and decided to withdraw the last 3rd para of the Administration's Circular No. 55-3/2005-PW dated 09/05/2007 with immediate effect. Henceforth, no exemption is allowed to Govt. employees on being posted to Southern Group of Islands/ Little Andaman on any account.

This has the approval of the Hon'ble LG, A&N Islands.

Secretary (Pers.)

To

- 1. Sr. PS to LG for kind information of Hon'ble LG.
- 2. Sr. PS to CS for kind information of CS, A&N Administration.
- 3. The Principal Secretaries/ Commr-cum-Secretaries/ Secretaries/ Jt Secretary/Dy. Secretary, A&N Administration.
- 4. All HOD's/HOO's
- 5. The Director of Accounts and Budget, Port Blair.
- 6. The Pay and Accounts Officer, Car Nicobar.
- 7. The Sub-PAO, Hutbay/Nancowry/Campbell Bay
- 8. All Section in the Secretariat.
- 9. The AM (IT), EDP Cell with the request to upload the circular in the Administration's Website.

Assistant Secretary (Pers.)