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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION  
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Dated at Port Blair, the 21st February 1989.

G. R. D. E. B. NO. 955.

1. The Port Management Board was set up in the year 1983. A Sub-Committee constituted by the Port Management Board went into the question of creation of posts and re-organisation of the Port Management. The question of setting up of a Shipping Corporation for A & N Islands was also examined by the said Sub-Committee.

2. To work out precise details of the posts to be transferred, funds to be apportioned and assets and liabilities to be demarcated, another Committee was constituted vide Administration's order No. 1832 dated 6-4-1988. This Committee was also given the responsibility of examining the question of transfer of the post of Harbour Master to the Port Management Board in view of the proposed setting up of the Shipping Corporation for Andaman & Nicobar Islands and the requirement of having a senior level post for operating the inter-island service until such a Corporation is set up.

3. A large number of sittings were held in this regard and the following decisions have now been taken for immediate implementation:-

(1) The re-organisation of the existing Marine Shipping Department shall consist of three segments - (a) Administrative re-organisation, (b) Financial re-organisation and (c) Re-organisation of assets and liabilities.

(2) The re-organisation should be done in a manner that there is no dislocation in normal activities of Shipping, Dockyard Management, Control Tower, and Stevedores Port Blair and any other stations.

(3) Secondly, the re-organisation also done in such a fashion that responsibility for implementation of Annual Plan for the year 19... is not disturbed or defused.

(4) Thirdly, the re-apportionment of allocations are also done in such a manner that while implementing the same, the pay and allowances and other facilities required for the purpose are not disturbed without disturbing the normal functioning of pay and allowance and other functions.

4.1. Administrative re-organisation

The Port Management Board shall be responsible for the stevedoring work in ports of Andaman & Nicobar Islands viz. ports of mainland-island vessels as well as ports of inter-island vessels and ferry boats.

4.2 Stevedoring in Ports for both mainland-island and inter-island vessels shall be transferred to the Administration and Shipping Corporation of India is being done by the establishment of Controller Andaman Labour Force. The establishment of Controller Andaman Labour Force consists of various posts is enumerated in Annexure. The same shall hereafter be administratively under control and supervision of the Port Management Board.

4.3 The staff working for the stevedoring unit at Car Nicobar as described in Annexure-II shall also be put under the overall control and supervision of the Port Management Board.

4.4 The Shipping Godown establishment deals with the godowns in Haddo and Chatham Wharves. It consists of the staff as shown in Annexure-III. The Controller, Andaman Labour Force is the Controlling Officer and Head of Office for these staff. The administrative control of all the staff shall be under the overall supervision of the Port Management Board.

4.5 The post of Harbour Master in the pay scale of Rs.3500-4500 shall remain in the Marine Deptt. and the incumbent shall be fully responsible for running the vessels/ inter-island ferry services and dockyard facilities and various other responsibilities connected therewith. In order to avoid any kind of confusion between the existing Harbour Master and the Harbour Master which post has been proposed to be created in the Port Management Board, the existing post of Harbour Master may be re-designated as Director of Shipping. Till this post is filled, the Harbour Master may be designated as Ex-Officio Director of Shipping services.

4.6 The post of Officer-on-Special Duty which is available in the Plan may be created with the designation of Harbour Master and may be filled up at the earliest. This post may remain with the Port Management Board. Till the post is filled up, some other officer of Port Management Board may be entrusted with the responsibilities of Harbour Master pertaining to port activities.

4.7 The Pilot Officer shall be transferred to the Port Management Board. All the remaining posts as shown in Annexure-IV will go to Port Management Board.

4.8 The existing post of Assistant Harbour Master be re-designated as Deputy Director (Shipping Service) retained with Marine Department.

4.9 The communication system between the Ports shall be the responsibility of the Port Management Board. Central Control Tower at Port Blair and various signal Control towers/stations at Diglipur, Mayabandar, Hango Hutbay, Car Nicobar, Nancowry/Kamorta and Campbell De Board. The present establishment of the signal staff as detailed in Annexure-V shall be brought under the Administrative Control and supervision of the Port Management Board.

4.10 The posts for operating the two Tugs as shown Annexure-VI will stand transferred from the Marine Dept. to Port Management Board.

4.11 The posts for two Mooring Boats as shown in Annexure-VII shall be transferred to Port Management Board.

4.12 The posts as shown in Annexure-VIII for manning the one Water Barge shall be transferred from Marine Deptt. to Port Management Board.

4.13 Certain number of posts <sup>which</sup> have been created under Scheme No:18 & 19 of the Plan as shown in Annexure-IX be transferred to the Port Management Board.

5. Financial re-organisation:

5.1 For the staff as enumerated in Annexure-I and belonging to the establishment of Andaman Labour Force, Controller, Andaman Labour Force shall continue to function as Drawing & Disbursing Officer. The financial control over the funds shall be exercised by the Chief Administrator.

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5.2 The funds meant for the stevedoring unit at Car Nicobar as described in Annexure-II shall be clearly worked out and the Assistant Commissioner (HQ) shall continue to function as Drawing & Disbursing Officer. The Chief Port Administrator shall exercise the overall financial control over the funds.

5.3 Funds at present earmarked for operating the Shipping Godown shall be fully placed at the disposal of the Controller Andaman Labour Force. Financial control over the funds shall be exercised by the Chief Port Administrator. 30 labourers who are working in the Shipping Godown shall draw their pay and allowances from Scheme No. 9 of Shipping Sector of UP Plan. This shall be under the overall control of the Chief Port Administrator.

5.4 The funds from the Shipping head of the Budget will be apportioned in such a way that the posts which have been transferred to the Port Management Board as shown in the Annexures above should be managed by the Port Management Board for payment of pay and allowance and various contingencies. The remaining posts as shown in Annexure-X in the existing Shipping Deptt. will be transferred to the Marine Department to maintain the activities of the Shipping Services under Harbour Master (Director of Shipping) including the Seamen Employment Office and funds will also be allotted to him accordingly.

6. General:

6.1 When the re-organisation process is being carried out all the functionaries will ensure that there is no dislocation in the normal activities.

6.2 Necessary follow-up action with regard to reporting relationship in terms of writing ACRs etc, shall be immediately taken up in respect of all the above posts where administrative relations have been modified.

6.3 The present terms and conditions of service of all the staff involved in the re-organisation shall remain unchanged. All the rules and regulations governing their service condition shall remain unchanged until specifically ordered.

6.4 Certain number of staff have already been posted in Port Management Board against the posts created under Scheme No.18 who belong to Amalgamated Cadre. Consequent on the above re-organisation they would also be governed under the same terms and conditions as are applicable to their counterparts in other Departments within the Administration.

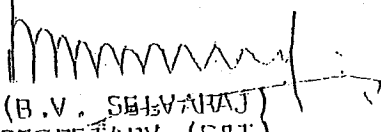
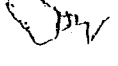
6.5 The posts which have been transferred for operating the Tugs, mooring boats and water barge shall be manned by the employees of the Marine Deptt and the posts meant for manning the Tugs, mooring boats, water barge, and mooring file shall continue to be maintained under the Port Management Board. Harbour Master (Director of Shipping Service) shall continue to function as the cadre controlling authority in respect of these posts and shall be responsible for posting and transfers of these employees. However, at future date efforts should be made to have a separate cadre for the Port Management Board.

6.6 The Cholunga Wharf, Marine Jetty, Afloat Repair Berts and Phoenix Bay Stage I shall remain under the Marine Deptt. for departmental vessels and for repairs/maintenance of boats, as recommended in Appendix 3.7 of

Techno Economic Feasibility Report on formulation of  
Andaman and Nicobar Shipping Corporation.

6.7 The above orders shall take effect from 1-4-1989.  
In the meanwhile, all concerned will make necessary  
preparatory arrangements administratively and financially.

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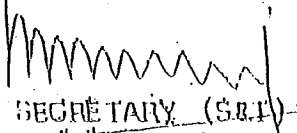
  
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