## MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 23rd April, 1994

- S.O. 324(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 243 L of the Constitution, the President hereby directs that the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution shall apply to the Union territory of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands subject to the following exceptions and modifications, namely:—
  - (i) in article 243B, in clause (1),
    - (a) for the words "in every State" the words, figures and brackets "in the Union territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands excluding the reserved areas notified under sub-section (1) of section 3 of of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulations, 1956 at the commencement of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Panchayats) Regulation, 1994" shall be substituted;
    - (b) the following proviso shall be inscrited at the end, namely:—
      - "Provided that for the Union territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, a single Panchayat may be constituted at the district level common for all the districts;
  - (ii) in article 243D, in clause (4), in the first proviso for the words, "the State bears to the total population of the State", the words "such areas of the Union territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to which the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Panchayats Regulation, 1994 applies bears to the total population of that area," shall be substituted;
  - (iii) in article 243J,-
    - (a) in clause (1), for the words "Governor of a State", the word "President" shall be substituted and for the word "Governor", the word "President" shall be substituted;
    - (b) in sub-clause (c) of clause (1), for the word "Governor". the word "President" shall be substituted;
  - (iv) (a) in article 243K,—
    - (1) in clause (1), for the word 'Governor', the word 'President' shall be substituted;
    - (2) in clause (2), for the word "Governor", the word "President" shall be substituted;

(b) nothing contained in article 243-1 or article 243K, as modified by clause (iii) and sub-clause (a) of this clause, shall be construed to restrict the power of the President to constitute a common Finance Commission or to appoint a common Election Commission for the Union Territories of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Danran and Diu and Lakshadweep.

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