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NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER I/C ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

It gave me a deep sense of satisfaction when I first knew that the North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council, for the first time in its five decade from the time of its establishment, is publishing a hand book of customary practices in writing which was a long felt need of the District Council Courts for reference in dealing incases which is use to come out on various occasion. The rich cultural heritage and customs practiced by our great Ancestors must be preserved in writing at any cost. It is for safeguarding and preservation of the Tribal Culture that the constitution of India had granted the Autonomous Council under sixth Schedule. It is more important to have customary practices when the Govt. of Assam vide No. H. A. - 105/99/62 dated Dispur the 9th May, 2003. Where in conferment of first class Magistrate power to the Hon'ble Judge of N.C. Hills Autonomous district Council Courts under chapter 3 of code of Criminal procedure 1973.

In the note, I would like to take the opportunity to convey my gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Executive Member Sri Purnendu Langhasa, who inspite of the financial constraint of the Council, had accepted our proposal for publication of books on the Customary Practices of various Tribes and providing us with financial assistance, without which this booklet would not have seen the light of the day.

I also would like to congratulate the writers of customary practices of various Tribes who collected materials in limited fund and limited time to make a success to publish the second phase of the publication