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**F.No.1-272/2005-TW/ 829**  
**ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION**  
**SECRETARIAT**

Port Blair, dated the 17 December, 2007

To

The Joint Secretary to Govt. of India,  
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,  
Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi - 110 001

**Sub: Permission for the research work on Onge Tribal Community of Little Andaman Islands" to Professor Dr. Malay Mukhopadhyay and Dr. Manisha Deb Sarkar - reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of letter No. 5-5/LS/2007/Nov/75/7794 dated 27<sup>th</sup> November'2007 from the Assistant Commissioner, South Andaman District, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, District, Port Blair alongwith its enclosures on the above cited subject.

In this context it may be mentioned that Professor Dr. Malay Mukhopadhyay and Dr. Manisha Deb Sarkar have applied for grant of permission to visit Onge settlement, Dugong Creek, Little Andaman Island for research work etc. They to intend to stay there for a period of seven days.

Further it is mentioned that DO letter No. 19013/2/2005-Schemes dated 9<sup>th</sup> June'2005 of Shri S.Chatterjee, the then Joint Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs stipulates to ensure that undue interference in the lives of Primitive Tribal Groups do not take place without the approval of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

You are, therefore, requested kindly look into the matter and convey the approval of the Govt. of India for the research work proposed to be conducted by Professor Dr. Malay Mukhopadhyay and Dr. Manisha Deb Sarkar on "Onge Tribal Community of Little Andaman Islands".

Yours faithfully,

Encl: A/a

Assistant Commissioner (TW)  
(CF:T5 Kajal/Misc)

**Copy to:**

The Assistant Commissioner (HQ), Office of the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman District, Port Blair w.r.t letter No. 5-5/LS/2007/Nov/75/7794 dated 27<sup>th</sup> November'2007 for information and necessary action. The party concerned may be informed to obtain necessary permission for visiting tribal areas for research work from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs in terms of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs's letter No. No. 19013/2/2005-Schemes dated 9<sup>th</sup> June'2005. The application in original are enclosed herewith.

Assistant Commissioner (TW)