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Dated: 9th June, 2005

Dear Shri Negi,

As you are aware, a policy decision has been taken with regard to the Jarawas that there will be no interference in the lives of the Jarawas and that no contact should be established other than health coverage.

2. Similarly for the other primitive tribal groups (PTGs) they should be left on their own and un-necessary interference in their lives in the name of studying these tribes should not be encouraged.

3. We are, however, deeply disturbed to see some of the news items appearing in the newspapers regarding DNA test of the tribes of Andaman. (Copy enclosed)

4. We would request you to let us know whether these studies were authorized by the Andaman Administration and if not, how these studies were undertaken by the scientists without the information of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and U.I. Administration.

5. I would also request you to kindly ensure that such undue interference in the lives of Primitive Tribal Groups do not take place without the approval of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(S.Chatterjee)

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meeting.

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This may be
discussed in
the standing
committee meeting
scheduled on 24th July
at New Delhi.

may be shown to regular director