



Port Blair, dated the 30th April 1998.

To

The Chief Engineer, APWD A & N Administration
Port Blair

<u>Sub</u>:- Drinking Water problem at Shompen Hut Complex - reg.

Sir,

It has been reported that there is no adequate drinking water supply for the aboriginal Shompen tribals residing at Shompen Hut Complex, Campbell Bay. In this connection I am to say that in 1990 an amount of Rs. 35,804/- was deposited with APWD for construction of ring well at Shompen Hut Complex and in addition to this an amount of Rs. 1,65,300/- was also deposited with the APWD in 1990 for repair of buildings and providing tap water to Shompens. The EE, APWD, Campbell Bay was requested by this office signal No. 1192 dated 21/04/98 to intimate the progress of work and utilisation of the amount. But no reply has yet been received. A copy of the signal is enclosed.

I, Therefore, it is, request you to kindly look into the matter and the EE, APWD, Campbell Bay may be requested to provide drinking water to the Shompens by trucks or other means till permanent arrangements are made. The EE, APWD, Campbell Bay may also please be requested to intimate the utilisation of funds already deposited for the above purpose.

Yours faithfully,

(Mohammed) Executive Secretary AAJVS

Copy to :-

1) The Secretary (TW), A & N Administration for information.

2) The Director (TW), A & N Administration for information.

Executive Secretary
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