

The Jarawa contact expedition was organised with the following schedule:

26.6.97 2200 hrs Departure by M.V.Tarmugli for Lakra Lungta.

27.6.97 0700 hrs Arrival Lakra Lungta.

1400 hrs Departure Lakra Lungta for Port Blair.

Arrival Port Blair.

Apart from the usual Contact Team, DC (Andamans) and Secretary to LG also accompanied the Jarawa Contact Team.

The Expedition met 16 Jarawas at Lakra Lungta at Little Andaman. Shri Enme, the Jarawa boy who had medical treatment at G.B.Pant Hospital for months together recently was also present in the group of 16 Jarawas. The usual gifts of coconut, banana, red cloth and iron bars were distributed to the Jarawas.

Further, seedlings of coconuts, Guava, lemon and banana suckers were planted in the open patches available near the sea-shore with the active participation of the Jarawas. The spades and crowbars which were taken by the Contact Team were used by the Jarawas to dig the pit to plant the seedlings.

The respective Team members have made their observations on the Jarawas. Medical Officer from the I.C.M.R. also checked up the general health condition of 16 Jarawas at Lakra Lungta.

For records.

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