

The Hon'ble Lt.Governor and a team of officials visited Lakra Lungta (Middle Andaman) on 26.10.97.

I was also one of the members of the team.

The following points may kindly be considered:-

- (1) A friendly relation has been developed between Jarwas group settled in Lakra Lungta and civilian population. Absence of fear also noticed. This situation need to be utilized very carefully otherwise it may tend to lead in wrong direction. Minimum assured food articles may be made available at regular interval on fixed date otherwise they may come in settlement area in search of food and may develop the habit of stepling food and other articles from the possession of civilian population.
- (2) Where the Hon'ble Lt.Governor and the team of officers met (Lakra Lungta) Jarwas on 26.10.97 be made permanent contact point. A temporary structure be made at Lakra Lungta for keeping food and other food items on fixed date and time so that in the initial visit if the Jarwas are not found the food and other gift items could be stored in the structure constructed at contact place.
- (3) Visit to contact point be made weekly. A team of officials from the following departments be constituted besides Tribal Welfare Department:-
 - (i) Medical (ii) Fisheries (iii) Agriculture/Horheulhue
 - (iv) Animal Husbandry at a later state of Sugment

It is not necessary that the team should be constituted with senior official of the department but junior level officer posted in Middle Andaman area. Selection of officials in the team should be done very carefully from all aspects/angles.

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