On 14.3.99 at 11 a.m., a meeting was held at Raj Niwas to discuss about the Jarawa problems. In the said meeting it was decided to establish Staging Posts at identified places like Tirur, Potatang, Middle Strait and Kadamtala inside the Jarawa areas. These Staging Posts are meant for the welfare of the Jarawas. These Staging Posts will be manned by a Social Worker, Health Worker, Teacher, Forester, Police Guard with Communication. This matter was discussed in the various meetings time and again. This has been highlighted at the time of visit of Smti Asha Das, Secretary to GOI, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, when she met Hon'ble Lt. Governor. On 18.9.99, this matter was further discussed with the Secretary to GOI, Mrs. Asha Das and other senior officers of this Administration and it was decided that a Project Report on the subject be sent to the Government of India. Accordingly, the same has been prepared. If approved, may be sent.

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