

Minutes of the meeting held on 19.5.1999 at A.30 P.M. in the chamber of Secretary (TW) to discuss about the health problems of the Jarawas.

The Following were present.

LShri N.C.Ray, Secretary (T.W.)

- 2. Dr. B.S.Banerjee, Director (TW)
- 3. Dr. K. Mukhopadhyay, Officer-in-Charge, ASI
- 4. Dr.B.N.Sarkar, ASI.
- 5. Dr. Safique Quadir, DD(Tribal Health)
- 6. Dr. Shiv Shanker Singh, Medical Specialist, GB Pant Hospital.
- 7. Shri P.K.Mishra, Dy.S.P., M/A.
- 8. Shri A.K.Singh, Asst.Commr.(TW).

As it was decided in the meeting held on 16.4.1999 for the Action Plan regarding health care of the Jarawas because the Jarawas are fallen sick due to seasonal changes, the following were discussed..

To develop some Health Care Centres to provide all medical facilities to sick Jarawas. These Health Care Centres should be set up at Kadamtala, Baratang and Tushnabad. It has also been suggested that one Health Care Centre may be set up at Middle Strait. One School building which is lying vacant at Middle Strait can be developed as a Health Care Centre where the Jarawas of these areas can be taken care of. In the said Health Care Centre one doctor, one pharmacist and other para medical staff are to be provided with all required medical facilities. A team of doctors along with Dr. Sarkar, Anthropological Survey of India will visit the Jarawas at Middle Strait, R.K. Nallah on 21.5.99 to make preliminary survey with a view to develop infra-structure at Middle Strait. In order to ascertain the magnitude of the illness of the Jarawas, a separate registger is to be maintained to keep a systematic record. This will be completed in consultation with the doctors posted at Kadamtala, Baratang and Tushnabad. A team of doctors wiill also visit the Jarawas at their habitat at least once in a