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REPORT OF JARAWA CONTACT EXPEDITION
MADE ON 24th MAY 1996.

The following members constituted the team :-

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| 1. | Shri. Rajinder Singh | Secretary (TW) |
| 2. | Shri. K.K.Jindal | Director (TW) |
| 3. | Shri. A.K.Gupta | Ex.Secretary AAJVS |
| 4. | Dr.V.G.Rao | ICMR |
| 5. | Dr.K.M.Sinha Roy | ASI |
| 6. | Shri. Bhaktawar Singh | Rtd. Dy.SP |

The team sailed from Port Blair by M.V.Tarmugli at 2300 hours on 23-5-96 for Middle Andamans and reached its western Coast at 0700 hours on 24-5-96. Scanned the Western coast from Lakra Lungta to Yadita Point but no Jarawa were sighted. Then we moved further north almost up to Flat Island and started back. At a distance of about 15 minutes sail north wards from Yadita Point a few Jarawa huts were seen near the coast along with a few Jarawas. The life boats of M.V.Tarmugli were lowered and then we landed at shore at 0900 hours. After making contact we started back at 1030 hours and reached Port Blair at 2200 hours, after making a short visit to the Great Andamanese at Strait Island on the way back.

The following gifts were distributed :-

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| Coconut | - | 300 Nos. |
| Banana | - | 100 Kg. |
| Red cloth | - | 20 mts. |

Observations made during the Contact:-

1. A very small group of only Ten Jarawas was contacted. The Jarawas belonged to two families with composition of

| | Adult | | Children | | |
|------------|-------|---|----------|---|-------|
| | M | F | M | F | |
| Family one | - | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Family two | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Total:- | | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| | | | | | GT=10 |