

beaches. Actually the sea beach from Brooke Point to Lakra Lungta gave a deserted look. So was at Spike island and the adjacent areas.

Thereby the ship further cruised towards Foul bay. blowing sound blast at repeated intervals in order to draw the attention of the tribemen. On approaching Foul bay some human beings in their birthday-suit emerged on the beach. They were shouting and making strange sound. Simultaneously they made symbolic gestures of good-will, welcome and acceptance besides dancing and jumping with their few belongings fastened on their back. They all stood cheerily at the edge of the sea shore anxiously waiting to collect gift articles.

Then the life beat was lowered from the parent vessel and gift articles which consists of coconuts, banana and red linen and a few seedlings/suckers, were leaded on the beat. The contact team then headed for xxxx the shore where some inhabitants were sighted. On appreaching the shore the tribemen including males, females and teenagers of both the sexes were seen rushing and wading through the water to collect gifts from the life boat. Some contact members gave them a hand to get on the boat. A few other jumped into the beat and immersed totally in gift-collection which is remarkably more than a grand feast to the eyes if not a discemfort to passionate observers or to contact members. Actually this is more than a simple competition, can appropriately be termed as scrambling for one's own share of gifts from the life boat which involved harnessing and multiplication of energy, time and promptness as well,