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REPORT OF JARAWA CONTACT EXPEDITION MADE ON 05/11/96 - 07/11/96 UNDER PILOT PROJECT

The team comprise as following

1. Manoj Aggarwal Executive Secretary (AAJVS)

Dr. V.G.Rao
 Dr. D.V.Rao
 Dr. K.M.Sinha Roy

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5. Shri Bhakhtawar Singh Retd. Dy.S.P

6. Dr. Ranganathan CIIL
7. Dr. Raja Singh CIIL

The team sailed ffrom Port Blair by 'M.V.Tarmugli' at 2330 Hrs on 05/11/96 for Middle Andaman and scanned on reaching its Western Coast from Lakra Lungta to Yadita point. At Yadita Point a group of jarawas was sighted and contact made with the help of lifeboats of M.V.Tarmugli from 9.00 a.m. to 1400 Hrs. on 06/11/96. The same group was contacted again on 07/11/96 from 8.00 a.m. to 1400 Hrs. The night halt was made at Uttara Jetty, however we were able to communicate to Jarawas to stay at contact point as we were scheduled to visit next day.

The following gifts were distributed:-

 Coconut
 - 1000 Nos.

 Banana
 - 200 Kg

 Red Cloth
 - 30 Mtrs.

 Iron Scrap
 - 30 Kg.

The group comprise of 67 members as per following details.

Male Female

Adult		Children above 1 Yr.	Infants below 1 Yr.	Total
Male	Female			
15	21	24	7	67

In addition among adult females at least five ladies appeared to be pregnant.