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Regarding penultimate para of the representation, it is stated that whenever the Jarawas come to the villages, they are given gift items immediately and arrangements are made to send them back to their habitat as soon as possible. We are taking all efforts to prevent contact of non-tribals with Jarawas. For this purpose committees are constituted by the Chairman, AAJVS at Kadamtala, Tirur and Ferrargunj to take care of Jarawas and to take all efforts to prevent their mingling with non-tribals and for the safeguard of their entity and originality.

On 04/03/99 the Chairman, AAJVS (Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, A & N Islands) convened a meeting at 11.00 a. m. In the meeting the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, Chairperson, SWAB, representatives of political parties and Senior Officers of the A & N Administration and Central Govt. attended. In the said meeting, the issues related to Jarawas discussed in detail and suggestions invited from all corner for the welfare of Jarawas. In the meeting various decisions for the welfare of Jarawas taken on the basis of the suggestions of representatives of peoples and Senior Officers. Accordingly, action is being taken for the welfare of Jarawas.

Yours faithfully,

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