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	<p>iii) The Jarawas are scattered in the forest of South Andaman and Middle Andaman and they are habitual of living without cloth. We have warned and appeal the people not to give them clothes. They are not habitual of wearing clothes. Moreover, they are not aware of washing the clothes. Unless they are educated about the hygienic system of wearing cloth, at present it is not advisable to provide them clothes. However, whenever we contact the Jarawas we present them pieces of cotton red cloth. They use it for making neckband, headbands and waistbands.</p> <p>iv) Regarding medical aids to Jarawas, it is stated that at Lakra Lungta, the Medical Officer-in-charge, Kadamtala regularly visit the Jarawa area for medical check-up of Jarawas and the Jarawas who found seriously ill are evacuated to PHC, Kadamtala. During September 1998 a team of Medical Officers visited Lakra Lungta and after examining the Jarawas they brought 9 Jarawa patients and they were admitted in the special ward of GB Pant hospital for treatment. After proper treatment, all of them were send back to their habitat on 06th October 1998. The ailing Jarawa patients coming at Tirur are attended by the Medical staff of PHC, Tushnabad. We are taking all efforts for the health care of Jarawas.</p> <p>v) Regarding suggestion at para - 5 to teach them Hindi language it is stated that we have entrusted the task of studying the languages of primitive tribes including Jarawas to Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore. The linguist of CIIL, Mysore has already prepared the primer of Onges Great Andamanese and Shompens. A linguist, Dr. Raja Singh of Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore has been working in this matter since 1996 to learn the Jarawa language and he was regularly camping at Kadamtala and Tirur to contact the Jarawas and to study the Jarawa language. He has completed the primary work. Once the work is completed, there will be no problem of communication with Jarawas and it will be very easy to teach them Hindi. The linguist is again reaching Port Blair shortly to complete the work. A linguist of ASI is also camping at Kadamtala to study the Jarawa language. AAJVS have also provided necessary funds for this purpose to CIIL, Mysore.</p>