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REPORT ON JARAWA INCIDENT AT MILE TILAK ON 10/12/2012

On 10/12/2012 a group of 40 nos Jarawas camping on the Andaman Trunk Road desired that they may be shifted to jungle of Jhinga Nallah for collection of honey. Accordingly, Shri. V. Paliayan, AAJVS Janjati Sevak arranged the contract jeep and carried them to their destination. They crossed Jirkatang No: II Jarawa Protection Post at around 0930 hrs on the way to Jhinga Nallah.

The two police personnel from Jirkatang and two from Mile Tilak accompanied. When the Jarawa reached Mile Tilak, they saw few Jarawas standing on the road side. These Jarawa came from Tirur. He reported that the Jarawas entered into village of Mile Tilak and collected agricultural products viz.. coconut, plantain and bettle nuts.

On reporting by Shri. V. Palaiyan, ES, AAJVS directed me to proceed to Mile Tilak and Jarawa habitat to submit a fact finding report. Self proceeded to Mile Tilak on 13/12/2012. Met one Shri Biju, R/o. Mile Tilak he has a farm. He reported that the Jarawas came on 10.12.2012 and collected coconuts 500 nos , Bettle nuts, 3000 nos and 50 nos Banana goath.

Thereafter visited Jarawas camp at Punna Nallah and met the Jarawas. They informed that they have collected 50 to 60 nos coconuts, Banana from the Agriculture Farm and few from two private farms. The Jarawas were persuaded and requested to not to enter into any village and take away any items. AAJVS will supply their requirements. The Jarawas insisted that they may be provided Banana and Rice regularly. Our employees posted on the ATR have been directed to vigilant and not to allow such incident in future.