

It is pertinent to mention here that 40 nos Jarawas visited Mile Tilak on the day of incident and each can carry only two coconuts in hand if they have no other luggage in hand. In the instant case, the Jarawas have carried very limited nos of coconuts, banana and bettle nut. Therefore the claim of the villagers that Jarawas have taken 500 nos coconut, 3000 nos bettle nuts and 50 nos goath of banana is quite exaggerated and submitted for more compensation.

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