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Self along with the Janjati Sevaks working under my control has interacted with the Jarawas at their camps on the issues pertaining to the buffer zone issues in their own language in a comprehensive manner. The Jarawas though are not able to express so precisely in the context of the Buffer Zone, on leaving them free to express their own opinions and comments revolving around Buffer zone, tourism activities and commercial activities the Jarawas expressed that (as interpreted here) -- we have no effect from tourism such as running in Baratang area. That is their area and this (Jarawa reserve) is our area. There is high need to stop poaching in our area but whatever they are doing in their settlement area since long time we don't object.

Jarawas were quite confused and stood almost mute on direct questions about 'whether buffer zone be removed' and 'upto what extent it should go'.

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