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Now I understand from Shri Look that Sont Leechn hes already gone back to Strait Island.

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There is one Onge boy by name donshu. He is from South Bay. His father and mother died few years back and this boy is being looked after by his relatives in Dugong Creek. He is deaf and dump. He is liked by all and Shri Tambolai is very much concerned on him.

During the visit of Lt. Governor in April, last year he discussed with the Medical Officer about the possible treatment which could, perhaps, relieve the boy of his present handicap. As per the opinion of the doctor, the boy needs to be subjected to thourough examination by an E.N.T. specialist on his hearing organs and if possible if he is capable of hearing then it is likely the boy could speak also. A letter was addressed to D.H.S. about this but the boy could not be examined so far.

I also discussed with Dr. I.C. Verma who headed a team from All India Institute of Medical Science who visited Dugong Creek during February/March 1988 to study + (12) the health problem of Onges and he has assured to examine the boy. However his report is yet to be received.

Now Dr. Subbakrishna of Anthropological Survey of India has taken some initiative regarding the treatment of this tribal boy and discussed with Dr(Mrs) H. Santha,

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