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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
Directorate of Health Services

Port Blair, dated the 22th April 2002.

Memorandum

I have gone through the reply to the Memorandum dated 16th April 2002 issued from this end which is not at all convincing.

1. In this regard, please go through this Directorate's Order No.453 dated 7th February, 2002 wherein in the fourth line it has been clearly mentioned that the report would be submitted to the Hon'ble High Court Calcutta and Dr. Paul has been made incharge of the Composite Group No.I which has no connection with Composite Group No. II headed by Dr. R. Thulasi Dasan or Composite Group No.III headed by Dr. JC Das. Under such situation, how Dr. Paul could say that he was not aware about the Hon'ble High Court Order?
2. The first order was issued on 7th February, 2002 directing him to go as leader of the Composite Group No.I to Tirur area alongwith other staff to carry out the study on Jarawas which is very urgent in nature.
3. Dr. Paul, in his note dated 16.3.2002, has informed that Modified Leprosy Elimination Campaign Programme is commencing from 1st week of April, 2002 and as such, he will not be able to obey the aforesaid order. Dr. Paul is well aware that Dr. Jai Ram who is senior to him having DPH qualification and trained in leprosy and also working as Officer I/c, Leprosy since long is in station and in a position to take the responsibility of implementation of this Scheme in his absence. Therefore, during his absence, the question of hampering the work of leprosy does not arise.
4. On 7th February, 2002 when Prof. Sinha and other faculty members came from Calcutta, Dr. Paul was specifically called to my office and asked to attend the training being provided by them but subsequently it was informed by Prof. Sinha that he did not attend the training. Moreover, on 4th April, 2002 when Expert Committee's Preliminary meeting was held in Marine Hill Guest House it

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