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## HIGH COURT MATTER MOST URGENT

## No. 11-23/AAJVS/2001/ ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION Directorate of Tribal Welfare

Port Blair, Dated the

April, 2002

To

The Chief Officer to Fortress Commander, A&N Command, Fortress Headquarters, INS Jarawa, Port Blair.

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Sub: -Assistance to civil Administration for aerial survey of the Jarawa forest in Andaman Island - reg.

Sir,

I would like to inform you that in pursuance of the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India have constituted Committee of Experts under the convenorship of Lt. Governor, A&N Administration Islands to study the Jarawas and suggest the measures for their welfare. The Expert Committee in its meeting held on 29/01/2002 has decided to seek the assistance of Defense Forces for the aerial survey of Jarawas forest in South Andaman and Middle Andaman Islands.

The Scientists from Zoological Survey of India require aerial photograph of the Jarawa Forest. A team of 5 - 6 Scientists could fly in your helicopter or aircraft and the Scientists could take the aerial photographs while flying. Few hours (say 2-3 hrs.) would be enough to cover the Jarawa forest in South Andaman Island and Middle Andaman Islands by the aircraft.

Therefore, you are requested to consider our request to assist the Administration in the aerial survey of the Jarawas forest. This assistance would be required sometime towards to end of April 2002 as per your convenience.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjiv Kumar) Secretary (TW) (C.F.No.T1-454)