

- g) Kekanoea, Totereka (Crab hunting)
- h) Bogluba (Fishing)
- i) Weeya (Clay painting)

Therefore, the allegation of the writ petitioners to the effect that the government have compromised the integrity of tribal community and their rights to live and exist are absolutely baseless and hence emphatically denied and contested.

13. With reference to statements made in para 11, the same are denied and disputed except those which are hereinafter specifically and expressly admitted. I say that the Advisory Committee on primitive tribal groups in Andaman and Nicobar Islands consisting of Administrators, Social Workers, Anthropologists, Medical Experts and senior officers like Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Director, Ministry of Home Affairs and the Chief Commissioner of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as the Chairman to advise on the matters relating to the welfare of the primitive tribes. This Committee so set up considered the desirability of having settlements for the Onge population.

That the chairman of the said Advisory Committee during its second meeting held at New Delhi on 13-9-76 observed that the basic objective of the settlement of Onges in Little Andaman