

9. Placed opposite are two letters received from the Conservator of Forest, Southern Circle and Dy. Superintendent of Police (HQ), Port Blair in connection with demarcation of Jarawa reserve areas, placed at page 117-118/C.

72 The Conservator of Forest, Southern Circle, vide his letter has stated that the demarcation of Jarawa reserve areas shall be started from 9<sup>th</sup> May 2006 onwards. It is also stated that in case the concrete pillars are not available with the Deputy Commissioner's Office, the work shall be started by using wooden pillars provided by the Forest department. The undersigned (CF) checked the position from the Divisional Forest Officer (S.A) and Range Officer (Jirkatang) who is supposed to be associated with the above said works. On inquiry, it was learnt that so far no one has approached from the Revenue Department and there is no intimation regarding the requirement of wooden pillars. Lease issue suitable instructions to the concerned revenue authority to be in touch with the Divisional Forest Officer (S.A) and Range Officer (Jirkatang) in this regard, if so required.

73 Similarly, the Dy. Superintendent of Police (HQ) stated vide his letter that the Police department has no role to play in demarcation, as it is a subject matter of Revenue and Forest. In this regard, it is suggested that a detailed map of Jarawa reserve areas may be displayed at major population, centers/villages/settlement area adjacent to the boundary line of reserve areas indicating that entry into the area without permit is liable to prosecution. Similarly, such boards should also be displayed on pathways and un-mettled roads leading to Jarawa areas with warning signs of prosecution. Moreover, if required, Police protection will be provided to the teams.