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This is a letter received from RT-cum- In-charge, AAJVS. Tirur dated 03.1.2015 address to the Director (TW), A&N Administration regarding report on the new cultural change among the Jarawa women. The report is as under:

"As we all know some cultural changes have been adopted by the Jarawas. Now it has been observed that another important cultural change has been taken among the Jarawa women attached to Tirur. During, the Menstrual period Jarawa women use the leaf as a Sanitary napkin, which is one of their traditional practices. But now, it has been observed that the Jarawa woman have started to use Carry bags as a Sanitary napkin."

In-charge, Tirur along with Smti Sriti Sarker, Pharmacist Shri Sukh Bahadur, J/S and Shri Surfudeen, J/S. AAJVS were interacted with the Jarawa women at Hotspot, Tirur and enquired the matter, the Jarawa women said that they are using the carry bags as a sanitary napkin because they feel more comfortable their day to day activities during their periods. They are also informed that in Jirkatang 02 or 03 Jarawa women are having this practices and Kadamtala group is unknown.

It is very unhealthy practices without any proper wash and no proper way of disposal, which all leads to infections and also way for new diseases among the Jarawa women.

The Director (TW) has directed to take up the matter with Dy. Director (TH), Director of Health Services, it is proposed that we may forward this report to Dy. Director (TH), for may give necessary direction for precaution from unhealthy practices of the Jarawa women.

Submitted for approval please.

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