## Refer Director (TW)'s observations at para 66 to 71/ante.

It is regarding providing of Engine Dinghy for the composite team no: I, stationed at Tirur by Shri Nil Kumar Mondal, R/o Kadamtala as per the contract awarded vide this Office letter no: 11-26/AAJVS/TW-2002 dated 10.8.2002, placed at page 82-83/C.

Initially, the letter no: 11-26/AAJVS/TW-2002 dated 10.8.2002, placed at page 82-83/C addressed to Shri Nil Kumar Mondal, R/o Uttara conveying acceptance of his rates for hiring of Engine Dinghy for all the three places viz. Kadamtala, Middle Strait and Tirur areas was issued. The letter was dispatched through Dr. R. Thulasidasan, who was proceeding to Kadamtala on 11.8.2002 in connection with health and nutrition survey of the Jarawa. It was verbally ascertained from Dr. R. Thulasidasan, and found that the letter was delivered to Shri Nil Kumar Mondal on 11.8.2002. Shri Anup Kumar Mondal, Tribal Welfare Officer, Kadamtala, too confirmed over phone that the letter was delivered to Shri Nil Kumar Mondal on the above date.

While the letter accepting the quotation for hiring of Engine Dinghy was being issued, a Signal dated 10.8.2002, copy placed at page 84/C, on the behalf addressed to Tribal Welfare Officer, and repeated to Shri Nil Kumar Mondal was issued. However, the Signal could not be dispatched on the same day and it was dispatched on 12.8.2002.

As could be observed from the contents of the above said signal, besides conveying acceptance of rates for hiring Engine Dinghy from Shri. Nil Kumar Mondal and accepting the rate of Shri Swapan Kumar Roy for hiring of Jeep, it has been mentioned that Engine Dinghy for Tirur area be deployed after confirmation from Executive Secretary, AAJVS.

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