

(Animal Resources) available for the Jarawas. This report was on the basis of continued observations of the Scientists from Zoological Survey of India who accompanied the regular contact mission organized by the Administration earlier. This report would form a basis for understanding the resources available for the Jarawas even today.

(87) The Secretary (Tribal Welfare) desired that the report so submitted by Zoological Survey of India be traced immediately by Executive Secretary, AAJVS and could be utilized for the studies by the Expert Committee.

(88) The representatives from Zoological Survey of India and Botanical Survey of India informed that they are not in a position to spare / provide manpower to be the members of the Composite Groups as suggested / decided by the Expert Committee which met on 10.9.2001 at Raj Niwas. Further they agreed that they could periodically visit the field and guide / help the other members of the Composite Groups in collecting the information on Natural resources available for Jarawas in the Forest. They agreed that they will furnish the questionnaire relating to the collection of information on the natural resources available for Jarawas and also a manual / instructions to use the questionnaire before 3.11.2001.

(89) The representative from Anthropological Survey of India informed that they have prepared draft questionnaire and guidelines to be used by the Composite Groups. He further informed that there could be more than one representative from Anthropological Survey of India in each of the Composite Group. Shri Mukopadhyay informed that the Officials of Anthropological Survey of India who would be the members of the Composite Groups would be in a position to collect the information on the natural resources available for Jarawas provided the questionnaire and the manual on the natural resources are discussed with the officers of Botanical Survey of India & Zoological Survey of India and the Officials of Anthropological Survey of India (being the members of the Composite Groups) are trained how to canvas the questionnaire.

(90) The representative of the Forest Department informed that the list of the Officials is ready who could be deputed to work as the members of the Composite Groups. He was asked to send the list of officials to the tribal Welfare Department. During the discussion it was felt that the officials of the Forest Department would be in a position to