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Dear Dr. Kutty,

This has reference to your letter No. 11-20/AJVS/TW/2000 of 28.9.2001 on the subject of framing a suitable policy for rehabilitation and settlement of Jarawas.

The Institute has, over a period of time, been collaborating with the A & N administration researching on its indigenous languages. In so far as the Jarawa language is concerned Dr. V. R. Rajasingh has been researching their language and culture. A handbook of Jarawa language recently produced is a tool to develop basic communicative skills in the Jarawa language among the non-Jarawas, especially the social functionaries who come in contact with the Jarawas. As a follow-up of it, an orientation programme on how to use the book effectively for personnel from the Department of Police, Health was conducted in March 2001. The long term plan is to prepare a descriptive grammar of Jarawa language, a Jarawa-Hindi-English trilingual dictionary, a cultural profile of the Jarawas and a Sociolinguistic study of the Jarawas.

We shall be happy to have Dr. Rajasingh train the composite team.

With regards.

Yours sincerely,

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