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To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
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Sub: - Follow-up action on the decision taken by Expert Committee on Jarawas met on 06/11/2001 - reg.

Sir,

As you aware of the fact that the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India has constituted a Committee of Experts. In pursuance of the Order of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta to study the Jarawa issue and submit the report to the Court and to the Govt. of India.

The Expert Committee last met on 06/11/2001 and has taken certain decision. Copy of the minutes of the meeting is enclosed herewith for information and necessary action..

The multi disciplinary study teams comprising the Personnel from Health, Nutrition, Anthropological Survey of India, Forest, Zoological Survey of India and Botanical Survey of India are scheduled to start the research survey among the Jarawas from 10th December 2001. These teams are required to camp in the Jarawa area for a longitudinal study for 12 months in phases.

Communication and logistics are required to be provided to the said study teams camping in the interior of the Jarawa territory. In this connection, it is desirable to provide a walkie-talkie to each of the study team so that they could keep in touch with the nearest Police Outpost / Police Station. There will be atleast three such study teams.

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