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ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION  
Directorate of Tribal Welfare

Port Blair, dated the 28 November 2001

To

✓ The Scientist in-charge,  
Botanical Survey of India,  
Andaman and Nicobar Islands,  
Port Blair.

Sub:- Survey of Natural Resources in the Jarawa area of South and Middle Andaman Islands – Direction of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta.

Sir,

Please refer to letter No.BSI-8/1/PA /2001 dated 9.11.2001 Shri Pramanick, Scientists (C) and Head of Office, Botanical Survey of India, Calcutta addressed to you with copy to Secretary(Tribal Welfare) regarding subject mentioned above. Further, in this connection also refer to the discussions held in the Chamber of Secretary(Tribal Welfare) on 26.11.2001. As such you are requested to depute officials of Botanical Survey of India to be the Members of 3 Composite Groups Teams scheduled to study the Jarawas in accordance with the directions of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta.

The Expert Committee constituted by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India in pursuance of the Order of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta has decided in its meeting held on 6.11.2001 at Raj Niwas, Port Blair that the study team (Composite Group) will proceed to Jarawa area on 10.12.2001 in Andaman Islands to conduct Survey. Before the teams leave for the field, it has been decided to impart the training with regard to broad approach of the study. This training is being imparted to the members of the team by Anthropologists of Anthropological Survey of India at Port Blair on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2001.

It has decided by the Expert Committee that the questionnaire will be drafted by the technical department like Zoological Survey of India and Botanical Survey of India and the questionnaire would be discussed by the Members of the Expert Committee before they are finalised. It has also been decided that the questionnaire will be field tested on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December 2001 so that the final questionnaire can be used by the teams before they proceed to field on 10.12.2001 .

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