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Report on the contact of the Jarawas by the  
Jarawa Contact Party on 19th September 1987.

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The contact party consisting of Shri Krishna Rao, Dy.S.P.(Dist), Shri Balwant Singh, Dy. Director, Census, Dr. J.K. Sarkar, of Anthropological Survey of India, Dr. Prem Kishan Medical Officer, Shri Janardhan Sukhla of Medical Department, Shri Bhaktawar Singh, Retd. Dy. Superintendent of Police and Shri V.R.U. Menon, Executive Secretary, left Port Blair by M.V. Tarmugli on 18th September 1987 at 11 a.m on their mission of friendly contact of Jarawas. We reached Kadamtala at 6 p.m and halted there.

On 19th at 6 a.m we left for Lakra Lungta, the usual contact point, reaching at 7 a.m. No Jarawas were seen there. We proceeded to Foul Bay and further to Yadita. At the northern end of Foul Bay some twenty to twentyfive <sup>jarawas</sup> ~~engas~~ were seen sitting on the shore under the tree. On seeing our ship they got up and moved towards the ships direction. We then pointed them to follow us and proceeded to Lakra Lungta. They followed us. We <sup>anchored</sup> ~~anchored~~ at Lakra Lungta, <sup>at about 7.30 a.m</sup> and proceeded to the shore by motorised dungki with the gifts. After about half an hour of our reaching the shore the Jarawas also reached there. Seventeen Jarawas came there consisting of 7 males, 3 females and 7 children. Out of the 7 children 2 were females. Cooked rice, 800 coconuts, Kurpis, Plantain, fruits were distributed to them. Among the coconuts about 4-5 were germinated and these were planted there. We had taken some coconut seedlings. This was taken by them for planting by themselves. We had taken some raw rice with vessel to cook ~~to~~ on shore like <sup>on the</sup> ~~the~~ last occasion. This time the whole cooking was done by one Jarawa male helped by a female. They have learnt the proces of cooking <sup>of rice</sup> and they ~~xxxxxx~~ can do this by