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PUC is the fax message No. 16012/05/2007-Education dated 12.3.2007 from the Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi addressed to the Secretary (TW), A&N Administration regarding Lok Sabha Provisional Starred Question Dy. No. 10577 for 20.3.2007 tabled by Dr. Babu Rao Madiyam, MP about Housing Programme for Jarawa Tribes. The Govt. of India has requested this Administration to send part-wise reply alongwith Note for Supplementary to the following question immediately by 14.3.2007 to their Ministry.

- a) Whether a housing programme is being taken up by the Government for the Scheduled Tribes particularly Jarawa (PTG Tribe) in Jarawa tribal reserve after the tsunami;
- b) If so, the details of tribal families provided with houses till date;
- c) Whether special laws and court orders imposed on Jarawa tribal reserve area; and
- d) If so, the details there of?

There are six Scheduled Tribes namely; Great Andamanese, Onges, Jarawas, Sentinelese, Shompens and Nicobarese in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The tribes other than Nicobarese are classified as Primitive Tribes.

With regard to PTGs, we may call for the information in respect of Para (a) (c) of the question from the Executive Secretary, AAJVS. For which a copy of this Note may be forwarded to him for furnishing the requisite information to this office at the earliest.

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