May kindly refer para 17 to 21/ante.

This is regarding identifying the location for the new settlement for the Great Andamanese. The following Great Andamanese are to proceed to Strait Island on 29.1.2005 by a special speed boat arranged by Director of Shipping Services, viz. MV Onge:-

- a) Shri. Jirake
- b) Shir. Peje
- c) Shri. Look
- d) Shri. Joe
- e) Smti. Leechu
- f) Smti. Noe.

The team is to proceed to Strait Island for identifying the water source and other matters about their settlement including design of their houses, electricity supply, health coverage etc. As such it is quite necessary to invite the Officials of the related departments to proceed along with the team for the survey and on the spot selection of the location and other aspects.

It is therefore that we may issue formal letters to the concerned departments. Accordingly, a draft letter is placed opposite for approval please. Further, it is to mention here that there is no provision of cooking food etc for the Great Andamanese members and others at Strait Island as the entire settlement area was damaged due to tsunami. As such, it is proposed that we may arrange for packed working lunch and light refreshment. The estimated expenditure for the above purpose is approximately Rs 1000/-, we may bear the same out of the permanent imprest of Executive Secretary.

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