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Dated: the 29th 4, 2005

To,

The Director
Directorate of Shipping Services
Port Blair

Sub: Supply of water at Strait Island -reg.

Sir,

I am to say that the Great Andamanese have been staying at Asibasera relief camp at Port Blair since 30.12.2004 after the recent Earth quake and Tsunami.

A & N Administration had taken up the repairs of all the infrastructures at Strait Island including residential accommodation, water, education, health, Police etc. Work in this regard is continuing there and is likely to be completed within next 10 days.

Meanwhile, due to the untimely demise of late Jirake, Chief of Great Andamanese, his family members are to stay at Strait Island for his last rites. But there is a shortage of potable water at Strait Island as the existing well has become saline due to seepage of sea water. Two new well has been dug and the water specimen has been sent to laboratory for testing.

In this connection you are requested to kindly direct the Master of boats sailing to Strait Island to please provide some quantity of water in the sintex tank kept on the Jetty so that the family members of the deceased can utilize the same. This arrangement may please be continued up to 15.5.2005, by that time drinking water supply would be restored at Strait Island.

Yours faithfully

Executive Secretary

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Copy to:

1. The Deputy Director, Shipping Services, for kind information please;
2. The Master, Jetty Office, Port Blair, for information please;
3. The Chief Engineer, APWD, Port Blair, for information please;
4. The Executive Engineer, Construction Division-I, APWD, for information please.

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