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No. 1-752/2013-TW/ अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION जनजाति कल्याण निदेशालय

DIRECTORATE OF TRIBAL WELFARE

Port Blair dated the October, 2013

To

The Secretary to LG LG's Secretariat Port Blair

Sub: - Report on "Jarawas come out of forest, demands food" - reg

Sir,

Please refer your Note dated 07.10.2013 on the above subject.

- 2. It is submitted that on the direction of Hon'ble LG, a field enquiry was conducted by Dr Visvajit Pandya, Member, Research Advisory Board, ANTRI and Director (TW) and as per their report, whole episode was pre-planned by some of the local poachers of Kadamtala area with vested interest. Based on the depositions made by the Jarawas themselves, the Tribal Welfare Officer concerned has filed a FIR against (i) Maharaja Bala alias Raja S/o Late Hari Bala, resident of Kadamtala (ii) Suresh Xaxa S/o Banadick Xaxa, resident of Kadamtala (iii) Surender alias Suren S/o Lakpati resident of Broombally (iv) Swapan Biswas alias Tokoi S/o Bhagirat Biswas resident of Broombally who were visiting Jarawa habitat in the Jarawa Reserve Area for poaching and used to hunt the wild boar. The SHO, Kadamtala registered a criminal case bearing No. 31/3 dated 5.10.2013 under section 7/8 (2) (6) of the A&N (PAT) Regulation, 1956 against the above said accused and accordingly arrested them.
- 3. Further, explanation has also been called for, from the concerned Tribal Welfare Officer, Kadamtala, for the above noted lapses.

Yours faithfully

(Arun Gupta)
Assistant Commissioner (TW)

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