

- (d) Maintenance of the Andaman Trunk Road will be carried out by a mobile maintenance team which will bring men, machine and materials from Ferrargunj/ Jirkatang and carry out the job will be carried out only during day time.
 - (e) The tourist traffic on Andaman Trunk Road will be strictly monitored to ensure that there is no interaction between the Jarawas and the tourists.
- 4) This Administration is implementing the following measures as per the Jarawa Policy, 2004:-
- (i) Strict enforcement of the A&N Islands (PAT) Regulation, 1956 as further amended in 2012, which provides stringent punishment and which would have deterrent effect on the non-tribals committing offences under the law.
 - (ii) The movement of vehicles in the ATR is being regulated by a convoy system under the direct supervision of a Senior Police Officer, presently in the rank of Inspector General. Only 4 (four) convoys on either side of the segment of ATR, passing through Jarawa Reserve, are permitted in a day. The convoy timing is maintained very strictly without any deviation or any consideration to anyone; the only exception is given to Ambulance services, carrying serious referral patients to GB Pant Hospital from North & Middle Andaman Districts.
 - (iii) Sensitization of settlers (non-tribals) of the villages surrounding the Jarawa Tribal Reserve/ buffer zone
 - (iv) Setting up of A&N Tribal Research and Training institute (ANTRI) for Research-led welfare policy implementation for empowerment of the Jarawa tribe
- 5) The existing convoy system on ATR passing through the Jarawa reserve to regulate vehicular traffic on ATR and to avoid interaction of the outsiders with the Jarawa was a part of the submissions before the Hon'ble Supreme Court by the Administration in SLP (C) 12125/2010. The three Judges Bench of Hon'ble Supreme Court, vide their judgment dated 5.3.2013, **expressed satisfaction on the submissions made by the Administration** and issued directions for strict implementation of Protection of Aboriginal Tribes (PAT) Amendment Regulation, 2012.
- 6) Consequent upon the recent behavioural changes seen in the Jarawa tribe, the Govt of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs advised the A&N Administration to carry out Empirical Study on Jarawa tribe.