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To
✓ The Assistant Commissioner (TW),
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Sub:- Comments/ views on the minutes of the first meeting of the Experts Committee on Policies & Action for PTGs of A & N Islands held on 25. 5. 07 and proposed draft policy on Primitive Tribes of A & N Islands - Reg.

Sir,

This has reference to your letter No. 1-892/2006/TW/754 dated 25th Nov'2007 on the subject mentioned above. Comments on the points with which the Shipping Department is concerned is as under: -

1. In Para IV under the caption "Regulating connectivity/ contract" under the head (b) "Onge" (i), it has been envisaged that
"No ferry/ boat/ engine dinghy service between Hut Bay or any part of Little Andaman to Dugong Creek and South Bay should be allowed".

Comments

There is no regular ferry service shuttling between Hut Bay or any part of Little Andaman to Dugong Creek and South Bay at present. The Department do not have any future plan to introduce any ferry service to those destination.

2. Similar policy has been drafted for Shompen under Para IV (d)(vi) that "No ferry / boat/ engine dingy from Campbell Bay to any part of Shompen settlement situated on seashore area like Lawful Bay, Trinket etc. should be allowed except for bonafide welfare activities".

Comments

Neither there is any regular ferry service shuttling between Campbell Bay to any part of Shompen settlement nor there is the plan to interconnect.

3. Para 5 of the minutes of the meeting of the expert committee read as "Secretary (FA) also highlighted the damage done to the Jarawa tribe due to the vehicular traffic on the Andaman Trunk Road (ATR) which passes through the Jarawa reserve which continues and is rather increasing. She stated that though the Supreme Court had accepted the recommendation of Professor Shekhar Singh's report wherein one of the recommendations was closure of ATR passing through Jarawa reserve, vehicular traffic continues to ply on this road. Alternative routes need to be considered urgently to stop this vehicular traffic".