

**F. No. 1-752/2007-TW**

May kindly peruse notes from para 75-91/n onwards.

This is regarding comments/views on the draft notification at page 41 and 43/cor for the Protection of Jarawa Tribal Reserve.

We had requested the following departments viz. (i) PCCF, (ii) DGP, (iii) DC, South Andaman, (iv) DC, N & M Andaman, (v) Spl.Secy (Tourism), (vi) Director (IP) and (vii) ES, AAJVS to furnish their comments vide our letter dated 23<sup>rd</sup> November'2007 at page 44/cor. The reports/comments from the following departments viz. (i) PCCF, (ii) DGP, (iii) DC, South Andaman and (iv) Director (Tourism)/IP have been received and placed in the file at pages 54-63/c, while no reports/comments from DC (N&M) Andaman Andaman and ES, AAJVS are received.

The comments / views furnished by the departments are as under:

**(A) The Police department** vide their letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December'2007 has furnished their comments as under:

**i) Draft notification regarding including the 30 meter on either side of A TR in Reserved Area.**

The proposed declaring of the existing belt of 30 meters on either side of A TR as Reserved area (except at Nilambur Middle Strait and Uttara - Gandhi Ghat) is accepted. This would facilitate the enforcing agencies to prosecute the offenders of the Tribal Policy on the ATR. However, there should be clause that regulated convoys, duly escorted by Police, as per schedule fixed by the Administration or otherwise permitted due to emergency etc would be allowed the passage (without halt) on the ATR.

**(ii) Draft notification regarding exemption of tribal pass to pre-1942 settlers and settlers of Government approved schemes to travel through ATR without tribal pass.**

This Draft Notification is not acceptable, as it does not properly address the issues involved. The draft notification permits only the pre-1942 settlers and Settlers under Government approved schemes to travel through A TR without Tribal Pass. It may be mentioned here that at present individual persons are not checked for any documents to travel through ATR. Anybody is