

(iii) Administration is trying to increase the food resources in the Jarawa area so that Jarawa doesn't feel the resource crunch and their frequent entering to the villages is restricted. Though initially the plantation was not successful due to presence of animals in the forest and due to the nomadic life of the tribes but lately Jarawas now taking part in raising plantations and as a result small plantation is raised at Spike Island and at Lakra Lungta where few fruit bearing trees are reported to be surviving. These shows a gradual evaluation of the nomadic tribes from hunter, gathering stage to the next period of development i.e. *Agrarian*. Here again the process of development cannot be expected immediately.

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(iv) The most and not the least achievement of the Administration is to establish a communication link with the Jarawas. During the initial stage of friendly contact communication link was major problem but now as on today the field staff of AAJVS have learned the Jarawa language and communication link has been established. Administration has <sup>taken</sup> took the help of Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, which is a premiere institute in the field of developing the languages and due to their participation, a handbook on Jarawa language is made available. These handbooks are distributed to all the field functionaries.

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The Administration has constituted number of Committees to advice the Administration to tackle the Jarawa situation at different levels. This includes the Task Force Committee and Village Level Committee which meets regularly and advice the Administration about steps to be taken to handle the specific situation.

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(v) Administration has also setup an autonomous body called Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti which is implementing various welfare schemes exclusively for the Primitive Tribes. Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, A&N Islands is the Chairman of the Samiti and the Samiti formulate plan schemes according to the requirements of the different tribes. The Samiti is implementing these plans. Out of the grant it receives in the form of Grant-in-aid and Special Central Assistance. The Samiti is answerable for all its expenditure to the General Body of the Samiti where Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor is the Chairman of the body. The expenditure of the Samiti is

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