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The villager suffered heavy loss because of the fact that Jarawas took away the box containing ornaments etc. The Jewelry / ornament would not come under the definition of household items or the other items like utensils, agricultural produce etc and hence under existing system, AAJVS would not be able to pay compensation to the villager who lost the jewellery.

As such, if the Administration accepts the demand of the villagers, a revision of the decision of the Executive Council of the AAJVS is needed to the effect that all the items the household or otherwise lost because of the plundering by the Jarawas could be made good after the proper assessment of the same by the revenue authorities like Tehsildar. Therefore, if approved this issue could be placed before the forthcoming meeting of the Executive Council of the AAJVS scheduled on 26.3.2002.

It may be mentioned here that paying of compensation out of the fund of the AAJVS would not be appropriate. The Govt. of India and Andaman & Nicobar Administration provide the grant-in-aid to AAJVS to carry out the welfare activities of the primitive tribes. Paying compensation due to loss suffered by the villagers because of the Jarawa activities would amount to diversion of fund for the purpose other than those intended to.

A separate fund could be provided to the District Administration for payment of compensation to the villagers who suffered loss due to Jarawa attacks / plunder.

As such, a policy decision could be taken in the above context.

The Administration should help the child of this person to appear for the Xth Std. Board Examination commencing from 2.3.2002 since the examination Hall Ticket is also lost along with other items.

With regard to the loss of examination Hall ticket for the child of the villager, the area Tehsildar was asked to issue a note / certificate indicating the circumstances of the loss of Hall Ticket so that the Examination Superintendent could allow the candidate to write in examination on the basis of the duplicate hall ticket available with the Education Authorities.

(vi) Increase in the Police force and intensify patrolling in the villages to safe guard the interest of the villagers.