

3. Prevention entry of Jarawas in the settlement villages:

It has been decided to provide additional police force to the areas, from where the Jarawas frequently enter the villages. After the structures have been constructed and handed over to the police, the additional police force will be posted so as to prevent entry of the Jarawas into the villagers.

4. Distribution of ration etc. to the Jarawas :

As many as 10 (ten) volunteers have been appointed to watch movements of the Jarawas and help to send them back to their habitats. They will be given orientation training in handling the Jarawa situation by the Tribal Welfare Department and Anthropological Survey of India, Port Blair. They are being paid honorarium @ Rs. 1000/- per month.

The committee constituted for distribution of gifts to the Jarawas has been re-constituted with Assistant Engineer, Construction Division, APWD, Kadamtala as Chairman instead of Assistant Commissioner, Mayabunder to avoid inconvenience in providing gifts to the Jarawas.

5. Disproportionate expenditure towards pay & allowances of the staffs :

There are altogether 42 staffs on the pay roll of AAJVS, of which the following staffs viz. a Tribal Welfare Officer-1, Plantation In-charge-1, Pharmacists-3, Ward Attendant-2, volunteer-10, daily rated mazdoor-9 have been deployed for welfare of the Jarawas. The total expenditure towards welfare and development of the Primitive Tribes consisting of Jarawas, Sentinelese, Shompens, Onges and Great Andamanese was Rs. 116.43 lakhs during the financial year 2000-2001, out of which an amount of Rs. 38.76 lakh was spent towards pay & allowances of the staffs and the remaining amount of Rs. 77.67 lakhs towards other welfare measures.

So far as the Jarawas are concerned there was a provision of Rs. 13.00 lakhs against which an amount of Rs. 23.40 lakhs including pay & allowances of the staffs was spent. It may be pointed out here that the staffs appointed to look after the Jarawas also indirectly contribute to their welfare.

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