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Material for preparation of reply in respect of Lok Sabha
Question D. No. 338

1. LSQ D.No. : 338
2. Raised by : Shri. Manoranjan Bhakta
3. Date of answer : 16.11.2007

Sl.No.	Question	Proposed answer
a)	Whether the Government has prepared the ethnographic profile on 'Onges' and 'Jarawas', the Primitive Tribal Groups; and	So far as the UT Administration of A & N Islands is concerned, no ethnographic profile on 'Onges' and 'Jarawas', the Primitive Tribal Groups has been prepared. However, in terms of the judgment of the Circuit Bench of Calcutta High Court delivered on 9.4.2001, the Govt. of India had constituted an Expert Committee consisting of experts from various fields to go into problems of the Jarawa tribe and suggest measures for their welfare and development. Further, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, in consultation with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and A & N Administration has finalized a policy on the Jarawa Tribe of Andaman Island, on the basis of the recommendations of the experts in various fields. The policy has been notified in December, 2004 for implementation.
b)	If so, the details thereof;	Does not arise in view of reply at (a) above.

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