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Parliament Question

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Port Blair dated the 13th Dec., 2002.

To

1. The Deputy Commissioner,
Andamans District, Port Blair.
2. The Deputy Commissioner,
Nicobars District, Car Nicobar.
3. The Inspector General of Police,
A&N Islands, Port Blair

Sub : Notice of Rajya Sabha provisionally admitted Question Dy. No.3928 for answer on 2.12..2002 raised by Shri Janeswar Mishra, MP regarding killing of witch women in tribal communities.

Sir,

I am directed to reproduce below the text of the RSPAQ Dy. No.3928 for answer on 2.12.2002;

- (a) Whether it is a fact that a few incidents of killing of some women by terming them "witch" have taken place in several tribal communities for the past;
- (b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Ojha group of these tribal communities are largely responsible for such in human incidents;
- (c) if so, the detail of such incidents community-wise; and
- (d) the action Government are taking to make these Ojha group literate and humane?

You are requested to kindly furnish the part-wise information to this office immediately.

Yours faithfully,

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