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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION

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Port Blair dated the 11th November 1982

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests ,  
Andaman and Nicobar Islands,  
Port Blair .

Subject :- Banning of exploitation of forest  
in the area adjoining the Jarawa  
reserve - regarding -

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Sir,

I am directed to reproduce below an extract from  
the report of the committee of Anthropologist on the  
Jarawa and the Shompan situation constituted by the  
Govt. of India .

It appears that a part of the cause for confrontation  
between Jarawa and the non-tribals lies in exploitation  
of forests. It is no secret that wherever local felling  
occurs , unauthorised removal of timber takes place ,  
Even, ~~unthinkingly~~ ordinarily, a tribe resents exploitation  
of forests in the area which it regards its own , though the  
preception of the forest department may be different . The  
situation <sup>get</sup> ~~etc~~ exacerbated when intruders resort to illegal  
entry into the Reserve. This reason has been ascribed  
unofficially to some incident-s by the people whom we met  
Our view is that exploitation of the forest in the area adjoining the  
Jarawa Reserve in the south and middle islands should be banned .  
We understood from the Chief Conservator of Forests, Andaman  
Administration that the total forest revenue of the Islands is  
of the order of Rs 5 crores though they have not been able  
to give us a figure for the area in question . When pressed ,

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