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- v) As the contact between the tribe and the Administration has been initiated, an anthropological study of the tribe by competent scientists would be useful. The Jarawa tribe has not been studied at all and apparently it is at an extremely early level of technological and social development. This will also help the Administration in devising sound programmes for ensuring that the tribe does not decline numerically.

Prime Minister has also directed that for monitoring the implementation of the safeguards recommended by the team of anthropologists, an officer sensitive and concerned enough should be assigned.

5. In the context of Prime Minister's directive above, particularly in relation to contact between the tribe and administration and anthropological study related thereto, and for monitoring and implementation of safeguards recommended by the team of anthropologists, the Ministry of Education and Culture has suggested that the Anthropological Survey of India may be associated. It has been suggested that the responsibility for establishing contact with the Jarawa and close monitoring and implementation of the safeguards should rest with the Anthropological Survey of India. It has been pointed out that this task would require more than a routine involvement on the part of the A. S. I. and that the Survey in collaboration with the Ministry of Home Affairs may undertake the responsibility.

6. The Ministry of Education and Culture have suggested that the Ministry of Home Affairs may convene a meeting to discuss the proposal in para 5.