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Andaman and Nicobar Administration  
Secretariat

Port Blair , dated the 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2004

To

The Joint Secretary,  
Govt. of India, Ministry of Social Justice and  
Empowerment,  
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi, 110001  
(Fax.No.011/23384918 )

***Sub: Annual Report on the working of the Scheduled  
Castes and the Scheduled Tribes ( Prevention of  
Atrocities ) Act, 1989 for the calendar year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December, 2003- reg.***

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. No.11016/1/2004-PCR dated 21/2/2004 on the above mentioned subject and to furnish the Annual Report on the Working of SCs & STs ( Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 for the calendar year ended 31/12/2003 as far as the Scheduled Tribes of this UT are concerned as under:

**Part-I : Measures taken by various States / UT  
Administrations for implementation of the provision  
under section 21(4) of the Act.**

So far as this UT is concerned there was a single case relating to atrocity ie. Criminal assault on a tribal lady belonging to Jarawa community, a Primitive Tribe, registered and charge sheeted. Case is pending trial in the Court of Session Judge, Port Blair. As she belongs to the Jarawa tribe which is at hunting and gathering stage, she did not need any social and economic rehabilitation. Since the trial of the case has not commenced, she did not require any legal aid either.

The court of Session Judge, Port Blair was notified as a special court to try offences relating to atrocities way back in 1990 vide this Administration's Notification No. 147/90 dated 4<sup>th</sup> September 1990. A Vigilance and Monitoring Committee under chairmanship of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, the Senior Officers of the Administration and public representatives including tribal leaders as members was constituted vide this Administration's order No. 460 dated 15/10/2003 to review the implementation of the provisions of SCs & STs (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989, relief and rehabilitation etc. There is no atrocity prone area in this UT as the incident of atrocity is negligible.