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the island. A protocol of circumnavigation of the North Sentinel Island has been made and notified after due deliberation by the Research Advisory Board, ANTRI and based on the suggestions/ inputs received from the various stakeholders and participants of the National Conference, held on 4th -5th December, 2014 at Port Blair and the MoTA's Expert Committee meeting held on 08.01.2015.

f. Jarawas

As per the Jarawa Policy framed in the year 2004, by GoI, the A&N Administration takes measures to protect and preserve Jarawas from any exploitation. No non-tribal is allowed to enter the Jarawa Tribal Reserve (JTR) having an extent of 1028 SqKms. Jarawas continue their livelihood activities with full autonomy. Only minimum and calibrated intervention is being done by the Administration, extending health facilities, preferably *in-situ*. A Buffer Zone around JTR has been notified, banning therein-commercial and tourism establishments detrimental to the existence of the jarawas. It is ensured that no interaction by non-tribals takes place with Jarawas.

As per Jarawa Policy, the movement of vehicles on the Andaman Trunk Road (ATR) is being regulated and monitored by a convoy system. The Administration is taking steps to provide an alternate sea route, to reduce the density of traffic on the segment of ATR passing through JTR.

On the advice of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, ethnographic studies on the culture, livelihood activities, health issues etc of Jarawas are being carried out by a subject experts of Research Advisory Board, Andaman and Nicobar Tribal Research & Training Institute. Empirical study on Jarawas was undertaken by ANTRI with the assistance of the Andaman AdimJanjatiVikasSamiti (AAJVS). The topics identified for study are (i) Study Impact Assessment (ii) Study of movement patterns and Calenderics (iii) identifying Jarawa hot-spots & study of Jarawa Nutrition.

Based on the study reports entitled "Calendrical movements of Jarawas" and "Kangapo" (a Stitched garment in Jarawa language) submitted by the Experts, the ANI Administration has taken following steps: -

- a. For sharing the information between the tribal community and the experts/welfare staff of AAJVS and for delivering health and other supports to community, 08 "Hot Spots" (Community centre) have been identified within the Jarawa Tribal Reserve namely BadaBalu, Jhao Kona, Tirur and Potatang in South Andaman and Phooltala, Lewis Inlet, LakraLungta and Bluff Island in North & Middle Andaman District. Out of 08 "Hot Spots" (Community centre), 05 namely Jhao Kona, Tirur and Potatang in South Andaman and Phooltala&LakraLungta in North & Middle Andaman District has been constructed and are functioning. Another hotspot at Lewis Inslet Bay has been constructed and is in the process of operationalization.