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**63)** A meeting with staff of AAJVS along with Director (TW) was held today (29/06/2013) to discuss the issues relating to ATR. The list of AAJVS staff who attended the meeting is placed in the file.

i) Tribal Welfare Officers informed that the movement of Jarawas for hunting and gathering was observed in ATR mostly during the morning hours and late in the evening hours and therefore, the tour operators prefer the first convoy from Jirkatang and the last convoy from Middle Strait. It was suggested to record and evaluate the movement of Jarawas before any decision is taken. The note received from Dr. Viswajit Pandya may be got examined separately in consultation with police.

ii) Tribal Welfare Officers and Jan Jati Sevaks have viewed that Jarawas are now-a-days wearing the clothes which were received by them in the hospitals and that they use soaps to clean the clothes. This practice would in a way, wear away the inquisitive tourists who travel in ATR. Therefore, the desirability of giving clothes and soaps to Jarawas may be got examined by the Expert Members of AAJVS.

iii) During the meeting, the Secretary (TW) warned the AAJVS staff and Tribal Welfare Officers that there should be no incident of involuntary exposure of Jarawas to outsiders on ATR which would incriminate the staff of AAJVS. In such an event, not only major disciplinary proceeding will be initiated but also criminal case will be filed against such AAJVS staff for violation of PAT Regulation. The Secretary (TW) asked the Director (TW) to communicate it to all concerned for adherence.

iv) In the event of any break-down of public transport buses or private vehicles at Baratang, the passengers are stranded when they miss the last convoy. In case of passengers on emergency like hospitalisation, death case etc., a special convoy with police escort could be arranged. However, the decision to allow special convoy with police escort should be decided personally by the Nodal Officer In-charge of ATR (ie. IG(Police), at present).

**64)** Submitted for orders.

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