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N & M ANDAMAN DISTRICT.

मायाबुन्दर / Mayabunder dated the 22nd May, 2014

The Secretary (Tribal Welfare),
 Andaman & Nicobar Administration,
 Port Blair.

Sub:- Disruption in the Convoy system from Middle Strait to Jirkatang - reg.

Sir,

As per the instructions contained in the Standing Order No. 7156 dated 15/11/2011 and the schedule of convoy issued by the Director (Tribal Welfare) the vehicles plying between Jirkatang to Middle Strait and vice-versa are regulated by Police in convoy system. There are four convoys daily from Jirkatang to Middle Strait at 0600 hrs., 0900 hrs., 1200 hrs. and 1430 hrs. Similarly, there are four convoys from Middle Strait to Jirkatang at 0630 hrs., 0930 hrs., 1230 hrs. and 1500 hrs.

For the last few days, it has been noticed that vehicles have been reaching late at Middle Strait Jetty for various reasons and the Police personnel have to face problems in the smooth management of convoy system. The following problems were noticed which needs to be sorted out in public interest:-

1. There are two vehicle ferry boats plying between Middle Strait Jetty to Nilambur Jetty and two boats from Gandhi Ghat jetty to Uttara Jetty. Whenever one boat gets repair or replaced for some reason, there is delay in transportation of vehicles from Nilambur Jetty to Middle Strait.

It has been observed that vehicles reach Nilambur Jetty 30-40 minutes prior to the scheduled time, but they have to wait for their turn for reaching Middle Strait Jetty by boat. Thus, the vehicles reach 30-40 minutes late from the convoy timing. In case they are not permitted to proceed from Middle Strait on ATR they have to wait for more than 2 ½ hrs. at Middle Strait for next convoy. The number of such vehicles becomes 10-15 in some cases.

2. The STS Bus and other Private Buses carrying passengers (including women & children) sometime gets delayed due to vehicle breakdown. In such case they inform the Police about reason of delay and insist to proceed without convoy.

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