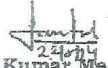


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3. Some times there is heavy dew/fog in the early hours due to which the vehicle ferry boats are unable to ply between both jetties due to less visibility and many vehicles reach after 0630 hrs. i.e., after convoy timing and request for proceeding ahead without convoy.
4. On some occasions, when some relative of local people dies in Port Blair, they request to move before or soon after convoy timing to attend urgent nature of work.

In all such cases, the general public is insisting and requesting the Police to allow them without convoy which has become a hurdle and regular practice these days. Somehow, with the permission of the undersigned and SDPO Rangat in urgent cases such vehicles are being allowed to proceed as special convoy.

It is requested that aforesaid issues may please be sorted out by increasing number of vehicle ferry boats. Apart from this, whenever only one ferry boat is operating and other is under repair, it takes 30-40 minutes extra for single boat to carry all the vehicles to other side, even if vehicles arrive on time. In such cases, permission may be given to SHO PS Baratang to delay the convoy timing/allow special convoy so that all the remaining/gathered vehicles are allowed together. In such case, the convoy timing may be changed from 0630 hrs. to 0700 hrs. or 0715 hrs. so that all vehicles could proceed together. Same procedure may be adopted in all other convoy timings also and the SHO PS Baratang may be permitted to delay the convoy for 30-40 minutes or arrange a separate convoy for the vehicles arriving late at Middle Strait Jetty.

  
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2. Director Shipping Service, A&N Administration for information and necessary action.
3. SO to DGP.