of ATR in the Jarawa reserve has been kept outside the reserve area as per the Admn's Notification No. 165 dated 15th September, 2004. The interests of the Jarawa tribe will not be affected in any way either with the protection and welfare measures including strict enforcement of the PAT Regulation 1956 as further amended in 2012 already in place.

addition, the following precautionary measures/ safeguards like construction of two bridges on ATR in the prestipulated time frame with limited labourforece, no change in the existing convoy timing to ensure the undisturbed useof the reserve territory by the Jarawas, recruitment and training of more staff in AAJVS to be deployed in the Jarawa reserve to handle additional emerging pressures and problems, acquisition of two to three sturdy boats by AAJVS to be used to facilitate. movements of the Jarawas along the coast all the way to Lewis Inlet without letting them appear on the road or traversing through settlements as the Jarawas traditionally and historically always moved along coast suggested by the Honorary Director, A & N Tribal Research and Training Institute (ANTRI) are proposed to be taken on board to be implemented in the event of the widening of ATR and construction of two bridges, one at Middle Straight and other at Humphrey Straight are undertaken.)

## (3) Alternate sea-route to Baratang.

As per the Jarawa Policy 2004 facilities for travel by boat/ship is to be strengthened and transportation / travel by sea encouraged. Accordingly a project worth Rs. 135 erore for alternate sea route was initially formulated and submitted to the GoI for approval. Necessary funds for the project will be provided by the Ministry of Shipping. Subsequently A detailed Project Report comprising works viz. dredging, navigation aids and construction of Jetty involving an expenditure of Rs. 51.73 crore was submitted to Ministry of Shipping for approval.

Recently, a reassessment report on alternate sea route prepared by this Admn. has been forward to the Ministry of Shipping by MHA with go ahead clearance to facilitate approval of the Project. This Admn. is regularly pursuing the proposal with the Ministry of Shipping to expedite approval as the Admn. had given a commitment to Hon'ble Apex Court to