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To

The Secretary (Law),
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Port Blair.



Sub:

Free movement of the Hon'ble Judges of Hon'ble Calcutta High Court, being the jurisdictional High Court of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, through the Andaman Trunk Road cutting across the Jarawa Reserve - regarding:

Sir,

This relates to difficulties and inconveniences often faced during recent times by the Hon'ble Judges of the jurisdictional High Court for Andaman and Nicobar Islands — being the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta — while using the Andaman Trunk Road for visiting North and Middle Andaman District.

We have been informed that according to an order of the Lieutenant Governor, all users of Andaman Trunk Road are now required to follow the convoy system, particularly through the stretch which cuts across the Jarawa Reserve.

A jurisdictional High Court exercises its jurisdiction not only in the judicial side, but also in its administrative side under Article 235 of the Constitution of India. While exercising its administrative jurisdiction, the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court are often required to pay surprise administrative visits to various subordinate Courts at short notice or even otherwise. It is rather difficult, sometimes impossible, for the Hon'ble Judges to stick to the scheduled convoy timings, in such situations. If the free

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