

henceforth no commercial and tourism related activities shall be carried out by the administration or any private individual in violation of the prohibition contained in notification dated 30.10.2007 and order dated 6.11.2007.

It shall be the duty of the Principal Secretary (Tribal Welfare) and other officers of the Administration of Andaman and Nicobar to ensure total compliance of the prohibition contained in notification dated 30.10.2007 and this order. Any breach of this order will entail punishment under the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971."

✓ On 21.1.2013, the Court passed the following order:

"At the commencement of the hearing learned Additional Solicitor General produced before the Court xerox copy of the Notification dated 17.1.2013 issued by Lieutenant Governor (Administrator), Andaman and Nicobar Islands and a site map indicating the Jarawa Reserved Area.

The documents produced by the Additional Solicitor General are taken on record.

The learned Additional Solicitor General should instruct the officer-in-charge of the case to file an additional affidavit along with the detailed plan of Reserved Area as far as Buffer Zone indicating therein particular spots of settlement, if any, in the reserved area.

For further consideration, the case is adjourned to 26.2.2013.

✓ Till the next date, the petitioners may allow entry of the Government officials and the persons who are settled within the Reserved Area. The movement of the vehicles required for transportation of essential commodities meant for Jarawa Tribe and other communities living in the Reserved Area may also be permitted. However, no private individual or tourists shall be allowed to pass through the road by using a vehicle or otherwise for going to the caves."

✗ In compliance of the aforesaid order an additional affidavit has been filed by Shri Kuldip Singh Thakur, Deputy Resident Commission, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, paragraphs 3 to 6, 17 to 19 and 21 of which read as under:

"3. That in pursuance of order dated 9.4.2001 of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta passed in WP No.048 of 1999, (Annexure P/1 at Pg 194-196 of the SLP Paper book) the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, in consultation with the Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Andaman and Nicobar Administration finalized a policy on Jarawa Tribe of Andaman Islands, taking into consideration the recommendations of the Experts, National and International Anthropologists, Socialists and other experts in various fields.

4. That exercising the powers under sub section (1) of Section 3 of the Andaman and Nicobar Island (Protection of Aboriginal